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EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. This publication contains estimates relating to persons in the civilian labour force and to those persons not in the labour force for New South Wales and regions of New South Wales. The estimates have been derived from the labour force survey component of the monthly population survey, which is conducted on a sample basis throughout Australia.

2. Statistics similar to those contained in Tables 1, 8, 9, 11 and 14 of this publication are published each month, as they become available, in Monthly Summary of Statistics (1305.1) which is available, on request, from this Office. Other data contained in this publication are also available each month (except for (a) the occupation and industry details and status of worker for employed persons, which are available only on a quarterly basis; and (b) regional estimates, which although available each month will be released only on a quarterly basis). In addition, other unpublished data may also be available. These data, if required each month as they become available, may be obtained from this Office.

3. The monthly population survey. This survey consists of the monthly labour force survey and, in most months, one or more supplementary survey topics. From February 1978, the survey has been conducted each month. Previously, the survey was conducted in February, May, August and November of each year. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the survey week).

4. Survey sample. The monthly population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about one-half of one per cent of the population of New South Wales. The survey sample is reselected after each quinquennial Census of Population and Housing. The reselected sample of dwellings based on 1981 Census of Population and Housing results was introduced in the October 1982 survey. Information on sample design and selection is given in the Technical Note in The Labour Force, Australia, 1981 (6204.0).

5. Population benchmarks. Labour force survey estimates of persons employed, unemployed and not in the labour force shown in this publication for New South Wales, Sydney Statistical Division and Balance of New South Wales are calculated in such a way as to add up to the independently estimated distribution of the population aged 15 and over by age and sex. This procedure compensates for underenumeration in the survey and leads to more reliable estimates. The independent population statistics (benchmarks) are the latest available estimates at the time the labour force survey is conducted but they usually differ from the official State level population estimates subsequently published in Australian Demographic Statistics (3101.0), because they are necessarily derived from incomplete information about population changes. Regular estimates of population at the regional level are, however, not available. Consequently, the use of benchmarks in estimating the regional data available from this survey is not possible. For this reason, estimates of the civilian population aged 15 and over are not made available at the regional level.

6. Revision of series. Survey estimates are not revised for the usually small amendments of population benchmarks arising from new data on deaths and overseas and internal migration. Revisions are made, however, after each census of population and housing and when population estimation bases are reviewed. Labour force survey estimates back to February 1978 have been recalculated to conform to revised population estimates which take account of the results of the 1981 Census of Population and Housing. Revised estimates back to February 1978, similar to those shown in Table 1, were published in an Appendix to the February 1984 issue of this publication. In addition, following the change in official population estimates to a place of usual residence basis after the 1981 Census of Population and Housing, the population benchmarks used in the derivation of labour force survey estimates are compiled according to place of usual residence. For an explanation of the new conceptual basis of population estimates, see Information Paper - Population Estimates: An Outline of the New Conceptual Basis of ABS Population Estimates (3216.0). To co-ordinate with the new benchmarks, the labour force survey questionnaire was changed in October 1982 to

enable identification of each respondent's place of usual residence. The estimates shown in this publication from October 1982 onwards are thus wholly according to place of usual residence. Prior to October 1982, the estimates are based on a combination of place of enumeration and place of usual residence.

A revised questionnaire was also introduced for the April 1986 survey. Following the introduction of this questionnaire, the definition of employed persons has been extended to include persons who worked without pay between 1 and 14 hours per week in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers). This aligns the Australian labour force concepts with a set of changed international definitions adopted by the International Labour Office at the 13th Conference of Labour Statisticians in October 1982. Previously, such persons who worked 1 to 14 hours or who had such a job but were not at work were defined as either unemployed or not in the labour force, depending on whether they were actively looking for work. Details of this change, together with other changes made to the questionnaire, are contained in Information Paper: Questionnaires used in the Labour Force Survey (6232.0). In Table 1, the estimates from March 1985 have been amended according to the revised definition of employed persons.

7. Scope. The labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 and over, except:

- (a) members of the permanent defence forces;
- (b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations;
- (c) overseas residents in Australia; and
- (d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

8. Labour force concepts and definitions.

(a) The concepts and definitions used in the labour force survey conform closely to those recommended by the International Labour Organisation. The labour force comprises all persons in scope who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed as defined in Explanatory Notes 8(b) and 8(c) below. The survey week comprises the seven days preceding the interview week (see Explanatory Note 3

above). The activities of persons in this period of reference are used in determining the classification of those who are employed. In addition to this week, the 3 weeks preceding it are also considered in identifying the unemployed. More detailed definitions of these two groups follow.

(b) Employed persons.

- i. These comprise all civilians aged 15 and over who, during the survey week:
 - worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind (including employees, employers and self-employed persons) in a job or business, or on a farm; or
 - worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or
 - were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
 - were employers, self-employed persons or unpaid family helpers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

ii. These employed persons can be classified into:

- full-time workers (i.e. those who usually work 35 hours or more a week and others who, although usually part-time workers, worked 35 hours or more during the survey week); and
- part-time workers (i.e. those who usually work less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the survey week).

Persons who held more than one job are counted only once - in the job in which they worked most hours during the survey week.

(c) Unemployed persons comprise all civilians aged 15 and over who were not employed during the survey week, and:

- i. had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks

up to the end of the survey week, and:

- were available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the survey week); or
- were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then; or

11. were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole of the survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

(d) Actively looking for work includes writing, telephoning or applying in person to an employer for work; answering a newspaper advertisement for a job; checking factory or Commonwealth Employment Service notice-boards; being registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service; checking or registering with any other employment agency; advertising or tendering for work; and contacting friends or relatives.

Note. The figures shown in this publication for the number of persons unemployed should not be confused with those issued by the Commonwealth Department of Employment and Industrial Relations. These latter figures represent the number of persons registered as unemployed awaiting placement with the Commonwealth Employment Service.

(e) Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the survey week, were not in the categories 'employed' or 'unemployed' as defined above. They include persons who were keeping house (unpaid), attending an educational institution (school, university, etc.), retired, voluntarily inactive, permanently unable to work, inmates of institutions (hospitals, gaols, sanatoria, etc.), trainee teachers, members of contemplative religious orders, and persons whose only activity during the survey week was jury service or unpaid voluntary work for a charitable organisation.

(f) Duration of unemployment is the period from the time the person began looking for work or was stood down to the end of the survey week. Thus, the survey measures the duration of current spells of unemployment rather than completed spells. Periods of unemployment are recorded in

complete weeks and this results in a slight understatement of duration. Average (mean) duration is obtained by dividing the aggregate number of weeks a group has been unemployed by the number of persons in that group.

(g) Unemployed persons classified by industry and occupation. Unemployed persons who had worked full-time for two weeks or more in the last two years are classified according to the industry and occupation of their most recent full-time job.

(h) Marital status. In the labour force survey, persons are classified as married or not married. Marital status is determined from information supplied by the respondent about the individual concerned and, where the person was reported as being married, about the living arrangements of persons usually resident in the household. Marital status does not therefore necessarily reflect legal status. Persons are classified as married if they are reported as being married (including de facto) and their spouse was a usual resident of the household at the time of the survey. The 'not-married' category comprises persons who have never married, or are separated, widowed or divorced, as well as those who, although reported as being married, did not have a spouse who usually lived in the household. Persons who live in a de facto relationship but who do not volunteer this information when asked whether they are married are classified as not married. In conjunction with the revision of estimates back to February 1978 to conform to revised population estimates (see Explanatory Note 6 above), the definition of marital status outlined above was adopted. Consequently, estimates of marital status contained in this publication are not comparable with estimates published before the February 1984 issue of this publication. This revision to the marital status classification was undertaken in two parts. Firstly, for all surveys from February 1978, persons who reported that they were separated were reclassified as not married (previously included as married). Secondly, from June 1983 onwards, in addition to including persons reported as separated, the 'not-married' category includes persons who, although reported as married, did not, at the time of the survey, have a spouse who was a usual resident of the household.

(i) Family status. The family relationship of all persons included in the labour force survey is determined each month, except for:

- i. all persons enumerated in non-private dwellings;
- ii. persons enumerated as visitors to private dwellings; and
- iii. those families enumerated in private dwellings for which it was not possible to obtain information relating to all the usual residents (i.e. families which include a member of the permanent defence forces and families which have one or more of their members away from the usual residence at the time of the survey).

Generally, family status is determined for more than ninety per cent of the civilian population aged 15 and over. A family is defined as consisting of two or more related persons usually resident in the same household at the time of the survey. A family comprises a married couple or a family head (as defined below), together with any persons having any of the following relationships to them:

- i. sons or daughters of any age, if not married and with no children of their own present;
- ii. other relatives if not accompanied by a spouse, sons or daughters, or parents of their own; or
- iii. any children under the age of 15 who do not have a parent present.

A family, as defined, can contain no more than two married persons and can contain two married persons only if these persons are husband and wife (referred to as married-couple families). Other families are families other than married-couple families and comprise one-parent families or other groups of related persons. The family head of an 'other family' is the parent in the case of a one-parent family or, in the case of other groups of related persons, is generally defined as the eldest person in the family. No family head is defined for a married-couple family. Persons are defined as not a member of a family if they are not related to any other member of the household in which they are living. A person is considered to be living alone if he or she is the sole member of a household. The term relationship includes relationships by blood, marriage or adoption.

Estimates of the number of families in this publication differ from those in previous issues. This is due to the adoption of a new weighting procedure where the family weight is determined

using an average of all family members responding to the labour force survey. Previously, the family weight used to publish estimates of the number of families was determined by nomination of a proxy 'head of household' as representative of the family.

9. Industry classification. The classification of industry is in accordance with the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC) described in Australian Standard Industrial Classification, Vol. 1 - The Classification (1983 Edition) (1201.0).

10. Occupation classification. The classification of occupation is in accordance with the Classification and Classified List of Occupations, Australia (Revised, November 1980) (1206.0).

11. Regions of New South Wales. The regions used in this publication are standard ABS Statistical Divisions, Subdivisions or Districts (see map inside back cover and the Appendix for a list of local government areas in each of these regions), or combinations of these, and do not necessarily correspond with regions adopted by other government authorities. The regions were determined in consultation with major users of the estimates, taking into account the constraints imposed by the structure of the sample design and the need to present reliable statistics (i.e. those not subject to high sampling variability). Two sets of regions are used to present the results. The twelve regions used in Table 13 and Tables 16 to 27 provide summary estimates only, while the five major regions used in Tables 28 to 37 allow the presentation of more detailed estimates. While further unpublished details may be available for the regions adopted in this publication, estimates for different regions will not be provided. The Sydney Statistical Division is predominantly urban in character - and its boundary was re-delineated in 1976 to embrace the area expected to contain the urban development of Sydney (and associated smaller urban centres) for a period of at least twenty years. This area covers the same area as the 'Sydney Region', as delineated by the State Planning Authority (now the Department of Environment and Planning) in its publication Sydney Region, 1970-2000 A.D., Outline Plan.

12. Reliability of the estimates. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample

of dwellings, they, and the movements derived from them, may differ from figures that would have been obtained if the information had been collected from occupants of all dwellings (using the same questionnaire and interviewing procedures). One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. In addition, as noted in Explanatory Note 5 above, the use of benchmarks in the compilation of regional estimates is not possible. For this reason, users should note that regional estimates may be more volatile than corresponding State estimates and thus should not be regarded as reliable indicators of short term (monthly) movements. A Technical Note, showing the likely standard errors relating to sample estimates, is shown at the end of this publication.

13. Related publications

(a) Users may also wish to refer to the following related publications which are available on request:

Regional Statistics, New South Wales, 1986
(1304.1)

Information Paper on the Sources of Labour Statistics (6101.1)

A Guide to Labour Statistics (6102.0)

The Labour Force, Australia (Preliminary Estimates) (6202.0) Issued monthly

The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) Issued monthly

The Labour Force, Australia, 1981 (6204.0)

Information Paper: Questionnaires used in the Labour Force Survey (6232.0)

Employment, Underemployment and Unemployment, Australia, 1966-1983 (6246.0)

Employed Wage and Salary Earners, Australia
(6248.0) Issued quarterly

Information Paper: Release of Regional Labour Force Statistics (6262.0)

Information Paper: Comparison of Employment Estimates from the Labour Force Survey and the Survey of Employment and Earnings
(6263.0)

(b) In addition to the regular demographic and labour force characteristics which are contained in some of the above publications, supplementary and special surveys of particular aspects of the labour force and of other subjects are carried out from time to time. The results of these surveys are published separately. A complete list of these survey topics and their related publications is contained in Information Paper: Population Surveys, 1960 to 1985 (1115.1) which is available on request to this Office. A list of the more recent releases on labour force and related topics is also contained in the The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) each month. Copies of publications containing supplementary and special survey information are available on request.

(c) Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications (1101.0) which is available from any ABS Office.

14. In some cases, the ABS can also make available information which is not published (see Explanatory Notes 2 and 11).

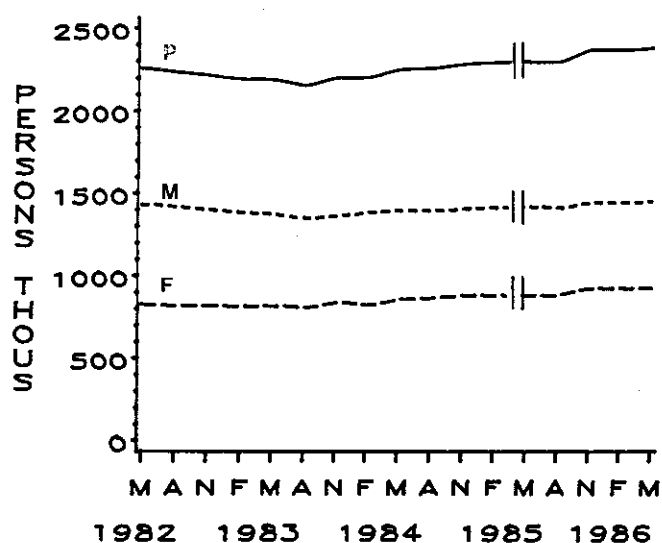
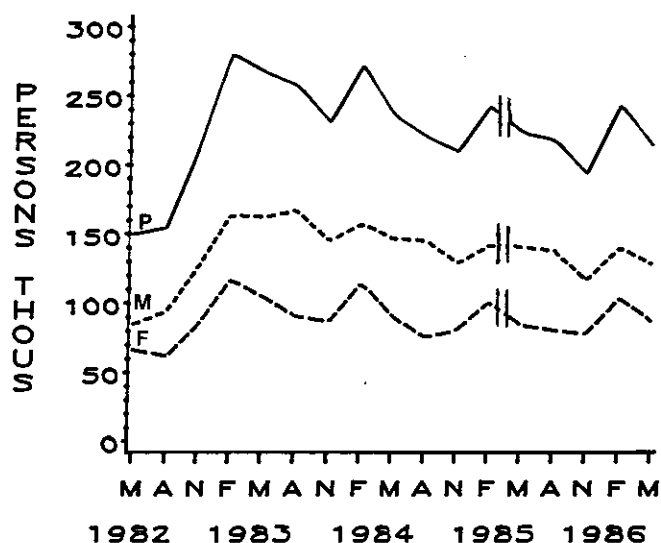
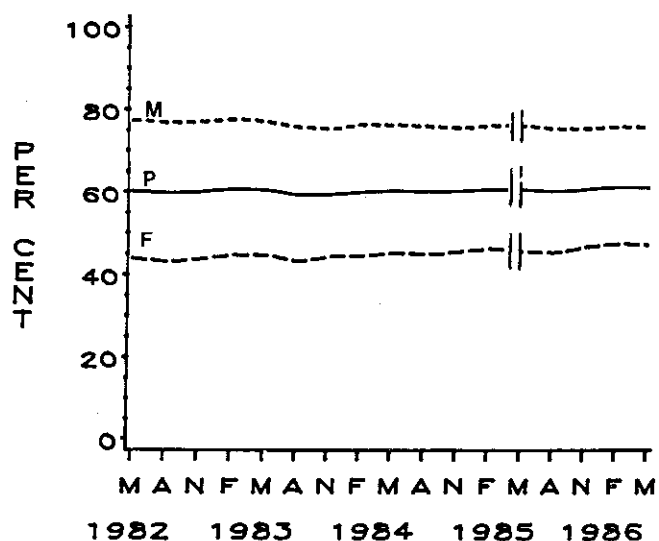
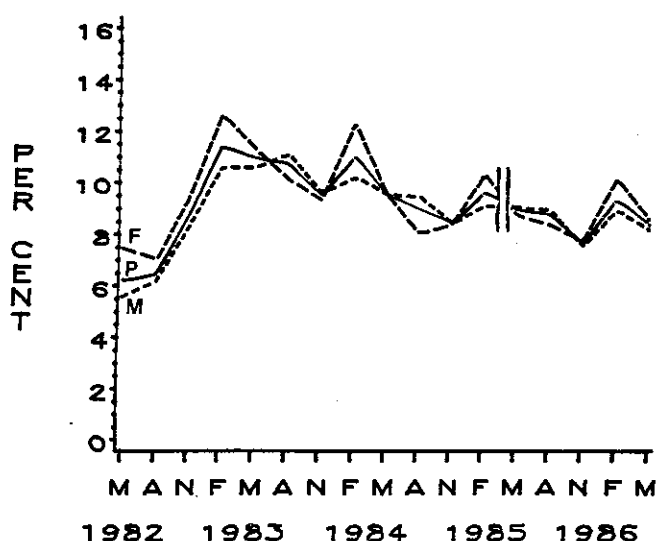
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15. Figures have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and the totals shown.

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DIAGRAM 1: NEW SOUTH WALES**EMPLOYED PERSONS****UNEMPLOYED PERSONS****PARTICIPATION RATE****UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**

Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

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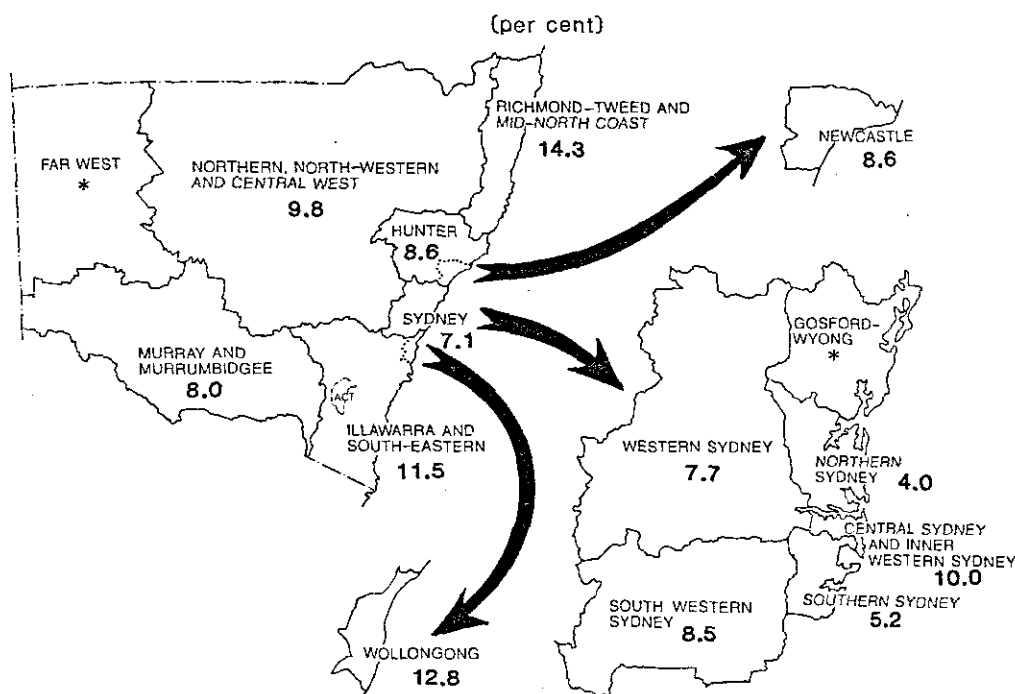
- In May 1986, there were an estimated 2,588,200 persons (1,577,900 males and 1,010,300 females) in the civilian labour force in New South Wales, of whom 2,374,700 (1,450,500 males and 924,200 females) were employed and 213,600 (127,400 males and 86,100 females) were unemployed (see Table 1).
- In May 1986, the labour force participation rate was 61.0 per cent (males 75.7, married females 46.6 and all females 46.9) and the unemployment rate 8.3 per cent (males 8.1, married females 5.7 and all females 8.5) (see Table 1).
- The May 1986 estimates of 213,600 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 8.3 per cent represented a significant decrease from the February 1986 estimates of 242,600 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 9.3 per cent. The decrease is mainly attributable to 28,800 less persons looking for full-time work. The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 2,374,700, which represented an apparent increase on the estimate in February 1986 of 2,353,400 persons. (See Table 1.)
- The May 1986 estimates of unemployed persons and the unemployment rate represented an apparent decrease from those in May 1985 when 223,300 persons were unemployed and the unemployment rate was 8.9 per cent. Over the period May 1985 to May 1986, the number of persons employed increased significantly by 86,200 (38,700 males and 47,600 females). (See Table 1.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS (continued)

NEW SOUTH WALES (continued)

- The unemployment rate for persons aged 15 to 19 was 19.1 per cent in May 1986 compared with 23.5 per cent in February 1986 and 20.5 per cent in May 1985 (see Table 9).
- The average duration of unemployment was 55.9 weeks in May 1986 compared with 48.2 weeks in February 1986 and 57.7 weeks in May 1985 (see Table 11).
- From May 1985 to May 1986, the unemployment rate for persons born in Australia remained consistently below that for persons born outside Australia. In May 1986, the unemployment rate for persons born in Australia was 7.9 per cent and for persons born outside Australia 9.2 per cent (8.7 and 10.1 per cent respectively in May 1985). (See Table 12.)

DIAGRAM 2: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES, MAY 1986



REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES (Note: Because of the estimation procedures adopted (and the effects of certain aspects of the sample design), estimates for regions other than Sydney Statistical Division and the Balance of New South Wales may be subject to some volatility. As a result, care should be taken when interpreting estimates over short periods - see Explanatory Note 12.)

- During the quarter ending May 1986, the combined Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Divisions recorded the highest unemployment rate in the State (peaking at 15.5 per cent in April 1986). The regions which recorded the next highest unemployment rates throughout the quarter were the Wollongong Statistical District (peaking at 13.2 per cent in March 1986) and Newcastle Statistical District (peaking at 11.8 per cent in March 1986). During the quarter ending May 1986, the lowest unemployment rate (3.5 per cent in April 1986) was recorded in Northern Sydney Subdivision. (See Table 13.)
- From February 1986 to May 1986, eight regions recorded some movement in the number of persons unemployed. Six regions (Southern Sydney Subdivision, South Western Sydney Subdivision, Western Sydney Subdivision, Northern Sydney Subdivision, Newcastle Statistical District and Hunter Statistical Division) recorded significant decreases, and two regions (Central Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Subdivisions and the combined Illawarra and South-Eastern Statistical Divisions) recorded apparent increases. (See Tables 16 to 27.)
- From May 1985 to May 1986, three regions (Southern Sydney Subdivision, Western Sydney Subdivision and Newcastle Statistical District) recorded significant decreases in the number of persons unemployed, one region (Hunter Statistical Division) recorded an apparent decrease, and one region (Northern Sydney Subdivision) recorded an apparent increase. (See Tables 16 to 27.)

TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, N.S.W.

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Civilian population aged 15 and over ('000)	Unemployment rate (a) (per cent)	Participation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full-time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full-time work ('000)	Total ('000)					
MALES									
1982: May	1,360.5	1,434.0	78.3	85.1	1,519.2	445.1	1,964.3	5.6	77.3
1983: May	1,272.6	1,367.0	154.3	162.3	1,529.3	463.5	1,992.9	10.6	76.7
1984: May	1,306.1	1,391.6	136.5	146.2	1,537.8	482.9	2,020.7	9.5	76.1
1985: March (c)	1,327.7	1,417.1	139.0	145.7	1,562.8	476.7	2,039.5	9.3	76.6
April	1,314.0	1,405.2	128.5	133.5	1,538.7	502.7	2,041.4	8.7	75.4
May	1,323.0	1,411.8	130.7	139.9	1,551.7	491.9	2,043.6	9.0	75.9
June	1,311.7	1,402.2	130.9	140.3	1,542.5	503.3	2,045.8	9.1	75.4
July	1,322.7	1,407.9	123.5	128.7	1,536.6	512.4	2,049.0	8.4	75.0
August	1,313.3	1,401.6	130.0	137.2	1,538.8	513.4	2,052.2	8.9	75.0
September	1,344.2	1,430.1	123.5	130.1	1,560.2	495.1	2,055.3	8.3	75.9
October	1,329.8	1,426.4	110.8	114.2	1,540.6	518.1	2,058.7	7.4	74.8
November	1,342.8	1,439.8	109.0	116.1	1,555.8	506.1	2,061.9	7.5	75.5
December	1,362.0	1,442.7	114.7	124.4	1,567.2	498.0	2,065.1	7.9	75.9
1986: January	1,352.6	1,433.2	124.8	135.7	1,568.9	500.3	2,069.2	8.6	75.8
February	1,356.1	1,433.8	129.3	139.6	1,573.5	499.6	2,073.0	8.9	75.9
March	1,361.4	1,449.7	119.6	130.5	1,580.2	496.7	2,076.9	8.3	76.1
April	1,347.2	1,449.1	119.5	128.4	1,577.5	502.5	2,080.0	8.1	75.8
May	1,353.5	1,450.5	118.4	127.4	1,577.9	505.5	2,083.4	8.1	75.7
MARRIED FEMALES									
1982: May	273.0	472.7	13.7	24.7	497.4	712.3	1,209.7	5.0	41.1
1983: May	276.5	476.3	25.0	39.2	515.6	718.8	1,234.3	7.6	41.8
1984: May	276.5	498.3	18.9	33.0	531.3	692.7	1,224.0	6.2	43.4
1985: March (c)	295.8	523.3	20.7	35.8	559.1	681.9	1,241.0	6.4	45.1
April	279.5	499.2	18.0	30.3	529.5	700.9	1,230.4	5.7	43.0
May	286.6	511.3	17.6	28.0	539.3	698.4	1,237.7	5.2	43.6
June	285.0	507.1	17.6	30.2	537.2	691.6	1,228.8	5.6	43.7
July	289.3	511.2	15.8	28.1	539.3	696.6	1,235.9	5.2	43.6
August	283.4	508.8	20.0	31.3	540.0	692.7	1,232.7	5.8	43.8
September	299.0	527.4	20.1	32.7	560.1	681.7	1,241.8	5.8	45.1
October	293.8	532.3	18.8	31.2	563.5	677.0	1,240.5	5.5	45.4
November	301.5	546.0	19.8	32.7	578.8	663.9	1,242.7	5.7	46.6
December	302.3	538.6	19.7	31.4	570.1	671.3	1,241.4	5.5	45.9
1986: January	296.5	513.0	21.9	29.1	542.1	707.1	1,249.2	5.4	43.4
February	314.3	541.7	25.3	39.2	581.0	664.8	1,245.8	6.8	46.6
March	315.7	553.0	24.2	38.3	591.4	663.8	1,255.1	6.5	47.1
April	316.9	556.8	22.7	35.9	592.7	664.9	1,257.6	6.1	47.1
May	315.4	554.8	19.6	33.4	588.2	674.6	1,262.8	5.7	46.6

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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, N.S.W. (continued)

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Civilian population aged 15 and over ('000)	Unemployment rate (a) (per cent)	Participation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full-time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full-time work ('000)	Total ('000)					
ALL FEMALES									
1982: May	558.2	822.8	46.7	65.3	888.1	1,149.4	2,037.5	7.4	43.6
1983: May	548.9	815.7	80.3	104.3	920.0	1,148.8	2,068.8	11.3	44.5
1984: May	555.3	856.6	68.5	89.6	946.2	1,147.3	2,093.5	9.5	45.2
1985: March (c)	581.3	887.3	71.5	98.6	985.9	1,127.0	2,112.9	10.0	46.7
April	570.5	866.4	63.2	87.0	953.4	1,161.7	2,115.1	9.1	45.1
May	575.5	876.6	65.2	83.4	960.1	1,157.2	2,117.3	8.7	45.3
June	573.2	874.2	60.0	81.8	955.9	1,163.5	2,119.4	8.6	45.1
July	581.8	881.1	53.6	76.6	957.7	1,164.9	2,122.6	8.0	45.1
August	570.4	879.7	59.2	79.5	959.1	1,166.7	2,125.9	8.3	45.1
September	586.8	902.8	61.3	86.6	989.4	1,139.7	2,129.1	8.8	46.5
October	575.6	900.7	52.7	73.4	974.2	1,158.1	2,132.3	7.5	45.7
November	590.6	922.8	54.3	77.1	999.9	1,135.7	2,135.6	7.7	46.8
December	600.4	920.4	65.6	89.6	1,010.0	1,129.0	2,138.9	8.9	47.2
1986: January	590.4	884.1	75.1	93.0	977.1	1,165.5	2,142.7	9.5	45.6
February	611.9	919.6	78.8	103.0	1,022.6	1,123.7	2,146.3	10.1	47.6
March	605.1	933.5	71.1	98.9	1,032.4	1,117.6	2,150.0	9.6	48.0
April	601.4	936.4	68.8	94.0	1,030.4	1,122.7	2,153.2	9.1	47.9
May	599.2	924.2	61.0	86.1	1,010.3	1,146.0	2,156.4	8.5	46.9
PERSONS									
1982: May	1,918.8	2,256.8	125.0	150.4	2,407.2	1,594.5	4,001.8	6.2	60.2
1983: May	1,821.5	2,182.7	234.6	266.6	2,449.3	1,612.3	4,061.6	10.9	60.3
1984: May	1,861.4	2,248.2	205.0	235.8	2,484.0	1,630.1	4,114.1	9.5	60.4
1985: March (c)	1,909.0	2,304.4	210.5	244.3	2,548.7	1,603.7	4,152.4	9.6	61.4
April	1,884.5	2,271.6	191.7	220.5	2,492.2	1,664.3	4,156.5	8.8	60.0
May	1,898.5	2,288.5	195.9	223.3	2,511.8	1,649.1	4,160.9	8.9	60.4
June	1,884.9	2,276.3	190.9	222.1	2,498.4	1,666.9	4,165.3	8.9	60.0
July	1,904.5	2,289.0	177.1	205.3	2,494.3	1,677.3	4,171.6	8.2	59.8
August	1,883.7	2,281.3	189.2	216.7	2,497.9	1,680.1	4,178.0	8.7	59.8
September	1,930.9	2,333.0	184.8	216.7	2,549.7	1,634.8	4,184.4	8.5	60.9
October	1,905.5	2,327.1	163.5	187.7	2,514.8	1,676.2	4,191.0	7.5	60.0
November	1,933.4	2,362.6	163.3	193.2	2,555.7	1,641.8	4,197.5	7.6	60.9
December	1,962.4	2,363.1	180.2	214.0	2,577.1	1,626.9	4,204.0	8.3	61.3
1986: January	1,943.0	2,317.3	199.9	228.7	2,546.0	1,665.9	4,211.8	9.0	60.4
February	1,968.0	2,353.4	208.1	242.6	2,596.1	1,623.3	4,219.4	9.3	61.5
March	1,966.5	2,383.2	190.7	229.4	2,612.6	1,614.3	4,226.9	8.8	61.8
April	1,948.5	2,385.5	188.4	222.4	2,607.9	1,625.3	4,233.2	8.5	61.6
May	1,952.7	2,374.7	179.3	213.6	2,588.2	1,651.5	4,239.8	8.3	61.0

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

(b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

(c) Estimates from March 1985 have been amended according to the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 2. FAMILY STATUS AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER (a),
N.S.W., MAY 1986 (b)

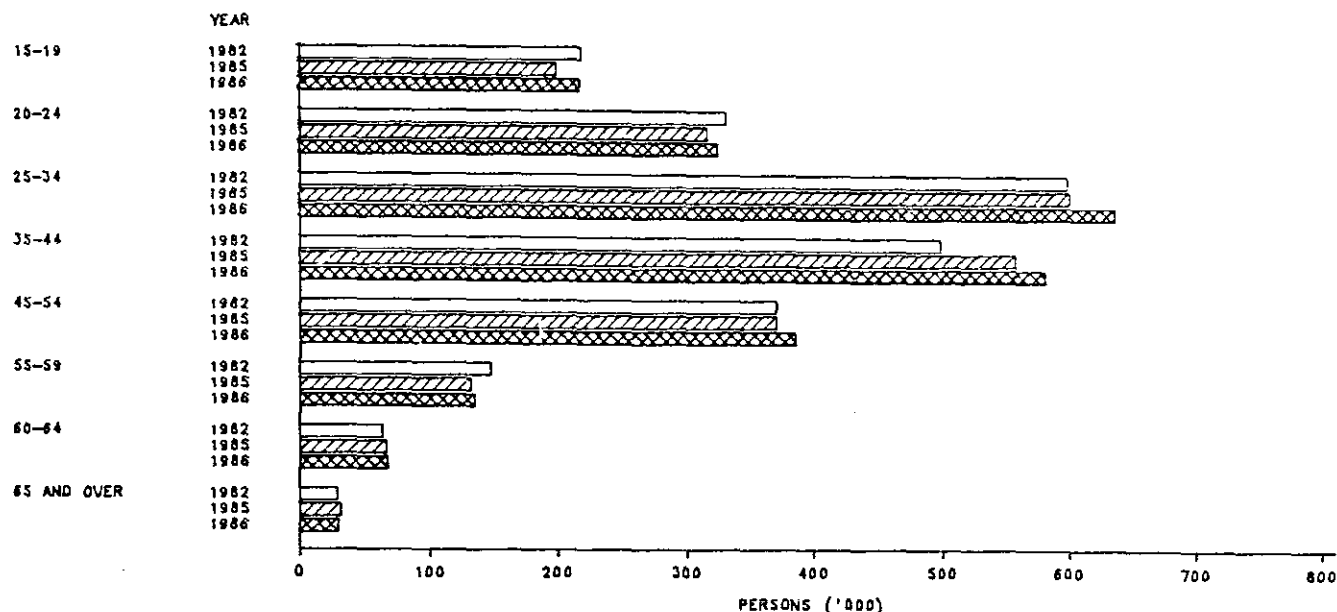
Family status	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force (¹ 000)	Civilian			
	Full- time workers (¹ 000)	Total (¹ 000)	Looking for full-time work (¹ 000)	Total (¹ 000)		Not in labour force (¹ 000)	popu- lation aged 15 and over (¹ 000)	Unemp- loyment rate (c) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (d) (per cent)
MALES									
Member of a family	1,120.9	1,196.7	89.3	96.6	1,293.3	393.9	1,687.2	7.5	76.7
Husband	865.9	903.2	47.3	49.3	952.6	269.4	1,221.9	5.2	78.0
With children (e)	493.6	508.4	27.8	28.9	537.3	24.5	561.8	5.4	95.6
Without children (e)	372.3	394.8	19.5	20.4	415.3	244.9	660.2	4.9	62.9
Not married family head	21.2	23.2	3.9	4.3	27.5	12.8	40.3	15.7	68.2
With children (e)	6.9	7.6	*	*	9.4	*	11.6	*	80.8
Without children (e)	14.3	15.6	*	*	18.1	10.6	28.7	*	63.1
Child of family head (f)	214.1	249.7	35.6	40.1	289.8	97.8	387.6	13.8	74.8
Other relative of family head	19.6	20.6	*	*	23.4	13.9	37.3	*	62.8
Not a member of a family	178.0	193.6	20.6	21.8	215.4	62.3	277.7	10.1	77.6
Living alone	83.6	91.3	8.1	8.1	99.4	48.8	148.2	8.2	67.1
Not living alone	94.4	102.3	12.4	13.7	116.0	13.4	129.5	11.8	89.6
Total	1,298.8	1,390.3	109.9	118.4	1,508.7	456.2	1,964.9	7.8	76.8
FEMALES									
Member of a family	464.3	756.8	47.7	69.2	826.0	870.4	1,696.4	8.4	48.7
Wife	299.8	530.6	18.7	32.1	562.7	636.0	1,198.8	5.7	46.9
With children (e)	120.2	266.1	9.8	21.1	287.2	261.7	549.0	7.3	52.3
Without children (e)	179.6	264.5	8.9	11.0	275.5	374.3	649.8	4.0	42.4
Not married family head	35.0	52.7	6.1	9.0	61.7	105.4	167.1	14.6	36.9
With children (e)	18.5	29.9	3.8	6.5	36.4	55.9	92.3	17.9	39.5
Without children (e)	16.5	22.8	*	*	25.3	49.5	74.8	*	33.8
Child of family head (f)	122.1	164.2	20.7	25.9	190.1	94.2	284.3	13.6	66.9
Other relative of family head	7.3	9.3	*	*	11.5	34.7	46.2	*	24.8
Not a member of a family	106.6	126.5	10.4	13.2	139.7	182.5	322.2	9.4	43.3
Living alone	48.3	55.2	*	4.6	59.8	165.6	225.5	7.7	26.5
Not living alone	58.3	71.3	7.1	8.6	79.8	16.9	96.7	10.7	82.5
Total	570.8	883.3	58.0	82.3	965.7	1,052.9	2,018.6	8.5	47.8
PERSONS									
Member of a family	1,585.1	1,953.6	137.0	165.7	2,119.3	1,264.2	3,383.5	7.8	62.6
Husband or wife	1,165.7	1,433.9	66.0	81.4	1,515.3	905.4	2,420.7	5.4	62.6
With children (e)	613.9	774.5	37.6	50.0	824.5	286.2	1,110.7	6.1	74.2
Without children (e)	551.8	659.3	28.4	31.4	690.8	619.2	1,310.0	4.5	52.7
Not married family head	56.2	75.9	10.0	13.3	89.2	118.2	207.4	14.9	43.0
With children (e)	25.4	37.5	5.6	8.3	45.8	58.1	103.9	18.1	44.1
Without children (e)	30.8	38.4	4.3	5.0	43.4	60.2	103.5	11.6	41.9
Child of family head (f)	336.2	414.0	56.3	66.0	479.9	192.0	671.9	13.8	71.4
Other relative of family head	26.9	29.9	4.7	5.0	34.9	48.6	83.5	14.3	41.8
Not a member of a family	284.5	320.1	31.0	35.0	355.1	244.8	599.9	9.9	59.2
Living alone	131.8	146.5	11.5	12.7	159.2	214.5	373.7	8.0	42.6
Not living alone	152.7	173.6	19.5	22.3	195.9	30.3	226.2	11.4	86.6
Total	1,869.7	2,273.7	167.9	200.7	2,474.4	1,509.1	3,983.4	8.1	62.1

(a) Civilians who were residents of private dwellings where family status was determined. The estimates in this table are also based on a new weighting procedure. See Explanatory Note 8(i). (b) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6. (c) See footnote (a), Table 1. (d) See footnote (b), Table 1. (e) Aged 0-14 present in household. (f) Aged 15 and over.

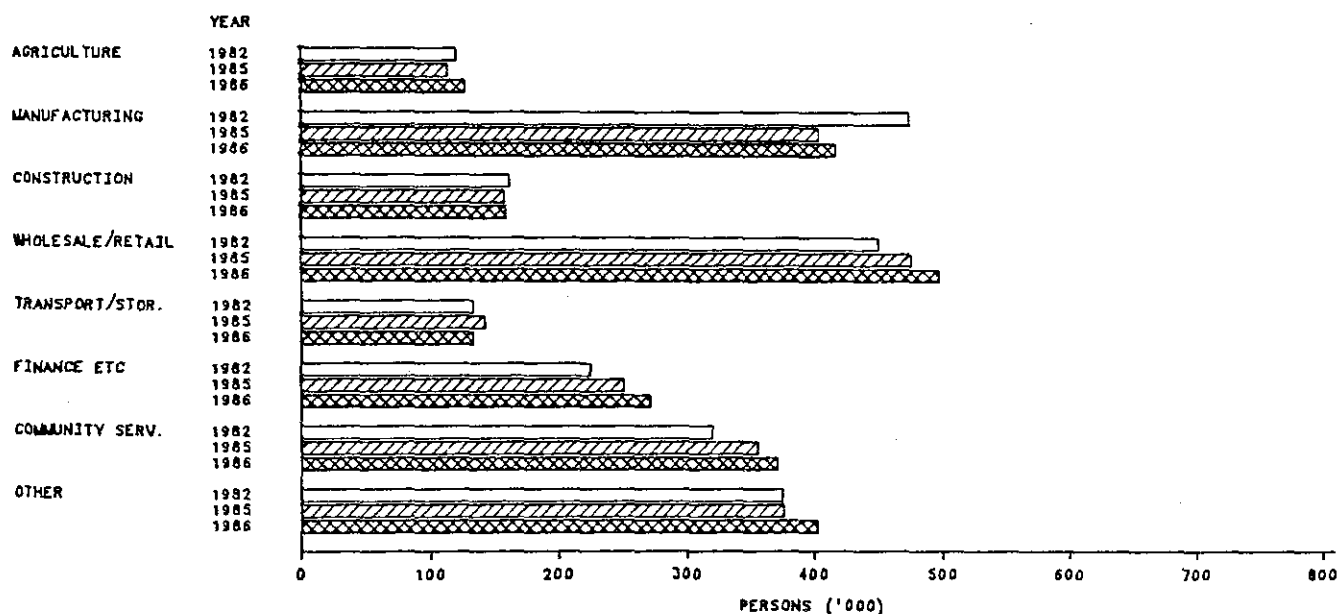
DIAGRAM 3: EMPLOYED PERSONS, N.S.W., MAY

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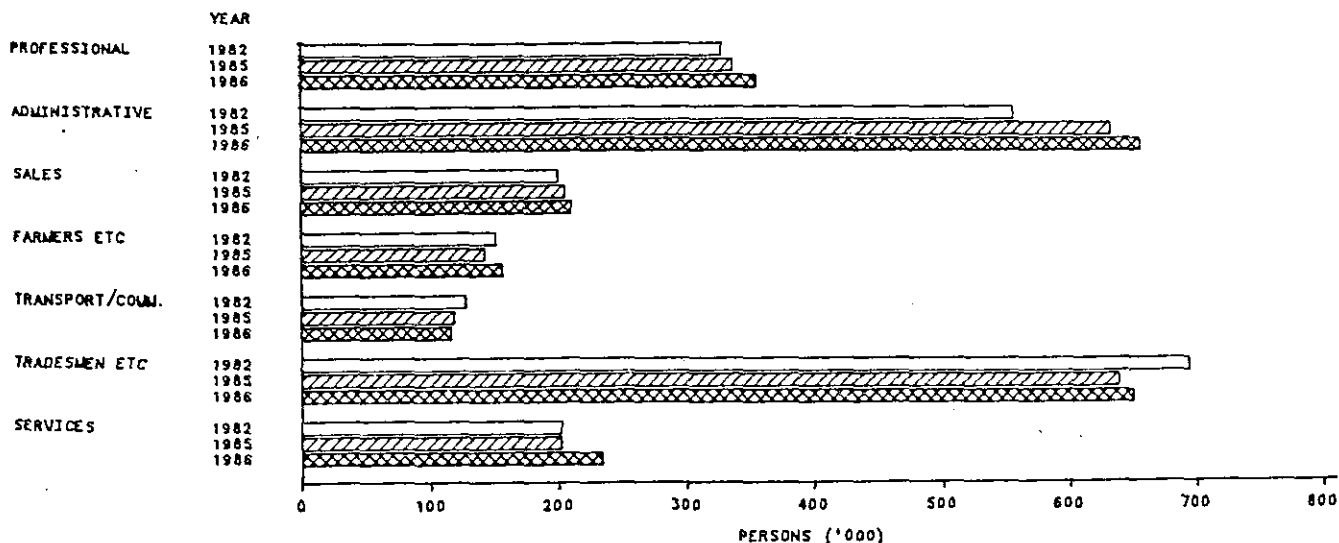
AGE (SEE TABLE 3)



INDUSTRY (SEE TABLE 4)



OCCUPATION (SEE TABLE 5)



Note: Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 3. EMPLOYED PERSONS : AGE GROUP, N.S.W.
('000)

Month	Age group (years)								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65 and over	
MALES									
1982: May	122.9	184.7	387.3	315.3	245.7	106.9	50.3	20.7	1,434.0
1983: May	104.8	169.2	373.6	315.6	235.8	101.3	46.7	20.1	1,367.0
1984: May	101.5	171.9	376.6	333.8	238.8	102.1	46.0	20.9	1,391.6
1985: March	98.7	175.6	375.9	346.7	242.0	101.3	49.4	24.1	1,413.7
April	98.9	174.9	378.9	344.2	237.0	96.1	46.6	24.2	1,400.7
May	106.6	171.1	378.0	343.6	242.1	94.3	47.3	23.9	1,407.0
1986: February	106.5	179.7	382.5	352.9	240.4	95.7	52.1	22.4	1,432.2
March	108.9	181.8	384.2	354.1	244.9	97.8	52.4	22.6	1,446.9
April (a)	114.5	178.9	382.6	354.5	243.6	98.6	53.3	23.1	1,449.1
May	116.8	181.3	384.1	352.9	242.3	98.6	52.3	22.2	1,450.5
MARRIED FEMALES									
1982: May	*	48.6	143.1	145.2	94.3	26.0	8.6	4.7	472.7
1983: May	*	43.0	144.7	152.9	95.6	24.0	10.6	*	476.3
1984: May	*	47.5	143.7	157.7	106.5	30.0	7.9	*	498.3
1985: March	*	45.6	150.7	175.0	102.9	26.3	9.0	4.2	515.8
April	*	42.7	144.9	168.0	99.0	24.1	9.0	3.7	493.3
May	*	45.1	147.3	173.2	97.7	23.3	10.9	4.2	503.9
1986: February	*	40.5	159.4	180.9	107.8	28.3	9.8	3.7	533.7
March	*	40.0	162.4	184.4	113.3	28.8	10.9	4.5	547.1
April (a)	*	39.2	167.3	187.5	114.7	28.1	11.5	6.2	556.8
May	*	40.6	170.3	184.4	115.5	27.3	10.8	3.8	554.8
ALL FEMALES									
1982: May	96.0	146.2	211.1	182.4	124.9	40.4	13.3	8.7	822.8
1983: May	93.5	144.7	209.7	186.0	122.5	36.3	16.8	6.1	815.7
1984: May	95.8	146.8	215.5	200.1	136.0	41.0	13.1	8.4	856.6
1985: March	95.6	143.0	229.7	212.2	133.8	39.5	16.1	7.4	877.4
April	92.5	146.5	220.7	207.4	129.9	36.9	16.6	6.8	857.4
May	92.9	145.0	222.2	213.7	128.9	37.2	19.0	8.0	866.9
1986: February	96.5	148.4	245.8	222.1	135.4	38.4	14.4	8.1	909.2
March	101.1	147.8	244.7	226.3	142.7	37.5	15.2	9.6	925.0
April (a)	100.9	145.5	249.2	231.0	143.9	38.0	15.6	12.4	936.4
May	100.2	143.2	251.7	227.7	143.2	35.7	14.5	8.0	924.2
PERSONS									
1982: May	218.9	330.9	598.5	497.7	370.6	147.2	63.6	29.4	2,256.8
1983: May	198.3	313.8	583.3	501.6	358.4	137.6	63.5	26.2	2,182.7
1984: May	197.3	318.7	592.1	533.9	374.9	143.1	59.1	29.3	2,248.2
1985: March	194.3	318.5	605.6	558.9	375.8	140.8	65.5	31.6	2,291.1
April	191.4	321.3	599.6	551.6	366.9	133.0	63.2	31.0	2,258.1
May	199.5	316.2	600.2	557.4	371.0	131.6	66.3	31.8	2,273.9
1986: February	203.0	328.1	628.3	575.0	375.8	134.1	66.5	30.5	2,341.4
March	210.0	329.6	628.9	580.4	387.7	135.3	67.6	32.3	2,371.8
April (a)	215.4	324.4	631.8	585.4	387.5	136.6	68.9	35.5	2,385.5
May	217.1	324.5	635.8	580.6	385.5	134.3	66.8	30.2	2,374.7

(a) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 4. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : INDUSTRY DIVISION, N.S.W.
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Month	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	Manu- factur- ing	Con- struct- ion	Whole- sale and retail trade	Trans- port and storage	Finance, etc.	Community services (b)	Other indus- tries (c)	Total
MALES									
1982: May	90.7	351.4	148.0	256.1	109.4	117.0	112.8	248.6	1,434.0
1983: May	97.3	303.8	120.9	254.5	105.9	117.6	122.7	244.2	1,367.0
1984: May	94.0	302.5	134.9	244.4	111.3	122.7	122.3	259.4	1,391.6
1985: February	86.9	294.4	134.7	263.4	114.3	129.0	142.1	241.8	1,406.6
May	81.4	303.9	138.5	267.2	118.5	130.8	134.0	232.5	1,407.0
August	86.4	270.7	137.6	262.1	119.1	137.4	130.5	254.0	1,397.7
November	95.4	293.3	141.5	267.9	108.9	138.5	124.0	265.2	1,434.8
1986: February	<u>89.7</u>	<u>302.6</u>	<u>135.3</u>	<u>275.4</u>	<u>107.6</u>	<u>143.0</u>	<u>120.3</u>	<u>258.4</u>	<u>1,432.2</u>
May (d)	91.1	309.7	140.3	280.7	107.9	138.0	130.4	252.3	1,450.5
FEMALES									
1982: May	30.2	122.0	14.0	193.5	22.8	106.8	206.6	126.8	822.8
1983: May	28.7	107.7	16.7	196.2	21.4	108.3	210.1	126.7	815.7
1984: May	28.3	104.0	19.2	193.9	25.7	121.3	227.7	136.6	856.6
1985: February	28.1	107.3	17.0	200.2	23.0	117.1	241.9	133.6	868.1
May	32.3	100.1	19.5	207.4	23.2	118.8	221.8	143.8	866.9
August	26.3	101.0	18.5	197.3	25.5	128.6	231.0	141.7	869.8
November	34.1	103.0	16.6	201.7	25.5	132.0	250.2	150.3	913.4
1986: February	<u>32.4</u>	<u>112.6</u>	<u>15.2</u>	<u>202.2</u>	<u>22.2</u>	<u>127.9</u>	<u>246.9</u>	<u>149.8</u>	<u>909.2</u>
May (d)	35.9	106.9	19.2	215.6	24.5	131.9	240.5	149.7	924.2
PERSONS									
1982: May	120.9	473.4	162.0	449.6	132.2	223.9	319.4	375.3	2,256.8
1983: May	126.0	411.5	137.6	450.8	127.2	225.9	332.8	370.9	2,182.7
1984: May	122.3	406.6	154.0	438.3	137.0	244.0	350.0	396.1	2,248.2
1985: February	115.0	401.7	151.8	463.6	137.2	246.1	384.0	375.4	2,274.7
May	113.8	404.1	158.0	474.6	141.7	249.7	355.7	376.3	2,273.9
August	112.7	371.6	156.0	459.4	144.6	266.0	361.5	395.7	2,267.6
November	129.5	396.3	158.1	469.5	134.5	270.5	374.2	415.5	2,348.2
1986: February	<u>122.1</u>	<u>415.2</u>	<u>150.5</u>	<u>477.6</u>	<u>129.8</u>	<u>270.8</u>	<u>367.2</u>	<u>408.2</u>	<u>2,341.4</u>
May (d)	127.0	416.6	159.5	496.3	132.4	270.0	370.9	402.1	2,374.7

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and Religious and Social Welfare Services. (c) Comprises Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal, and Other Services. (d) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 5. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : MAJOR OCCUPATION GROUP, N.S.W.
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Month	Professional, technical, etc.	Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	Sales	Farmers, fishermen, timber- getters, miners, etc.	Transport and commu- nication	Tradesmen, production- process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	Service, sport and recrea- tion	Total
MALES								
1982: May	182.7	243.5	90.9	124.1	107.7	607.9	77.2	1,434.0
1983: May	179.0	242.1	89.7	123.8	97.6	553.0	81.8	1,367.0
1984: May	192.2	252.5	84.1	125.0	102.8	556.9	78.0	1,391.6
1985: February	198.9	257.8	94.3	112.5	108.3	558.2	76.8	1,406.6
May	188.5	267.5	95.7	109.8	101.9	566.4	77.2	1,407.0
August	194.6	250.5	94.1	118.2	106.8	552.0	81.5	1,397.7
November	192.7	254.0	94.0	126.8	104.9	571.5	90.0	1,434.8
1986: February	<u>181.0</u>	<u>282.5</u>	<u>91.2</u>	<u>119.6</u>	<u>103.9</u>	<u>566.2</u>	<u>87.8</u>	<u>1,432.2</u>
May (b)	188.3	273.4	95.0	122.2	101.2	576.3	94.1	1,450.5
FEMALES								
1982: May	146.0	313.0	108.4	26.9	19.3	84.7	124.6	822.8
1983: May	138.8	332.1	108.2	26.9	15.2	72.9	121.6	815.7
1984: May	161.0	342.9	110.0	27.0	16.7	63.3	135.8	856.6
1985: February	165.6	347.7	104.8	27.0	16.0	68.0	139.0	868.1
May	149.4	364.9	108.8	32.3	16.5	70.5	124.5	866.9
August	162.1	362.8	101.7	24.5	17.6	70.6	130.6	869.8
November	173.8	367.3	107.4	31.7	18.0	73.2	142.1	913.4
1986: February	<u>170.3</u>	<u>374.4</u>	<u>105.6</u>	<u>31.5</u>	<u>17.7</u>	<u>76.8</u>	<u>132.8</u>	<u>909.2</u>
May (b)	168.0	381.1	114.2	34.7	14.5	72.6	139.0	924.2
PERSONS								
1982: May	328.8	556.5	199.2	151.0	126.9	692.6	201.8	2,256.8
1983: May	317.8	574.3	198.0	150.6	112.8	625.8	203.5	2,182.7
1984: May	353.2	595.4	194.1	152.0	119.5	620.2	213.8	2,248.2
1985: February	364.4	605.5	199.0	139.4	124.3	626.2	215.8	2,274.7
May	337.9	632.4	204.5	142.1	118.4	636.9	201.7	2,273.9
August	356.7	613.3	195.8	142.7	124.4	622.6	212.0	2,267.6
November	366.5	621.3	202.2	158.6	122.9	644.7	232.1	2,348.2
1986: February	<u>351.3</u>	<u>656.8</u>	<u>196.9</u>	<u>151.2</u>	<u>121.5</u>	<u>643.0</u>	<u>220.6</u>	<u>2,341.4</u>
May (b)	356.2	654.6	209.2	156.9	115.7	648.9	233.2	2,374.7

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 6. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME STATUS, N.S.W.
('000)

Month	Full-time			Part-time			Total employed		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1982: May	1,360.5	558.2	1,918.8	73.5	264.6	338.1	1,434.0	822.8	2,256.8
1983: May	1,272.6	548.9	1,821.5	94.4	266.8	361.2	1,367.0	815.7	2,182.7
1984: May	1,306.1	555.3	1,861.4	85.5	301.3	386.8	1,391.6	856.6	2,248.2
1985: March	1,327.7	581.3	1,909.0	86.0	296.1	382.1	1,413.7	877.4	2,291.1
April	1,314.0	570.5	1,884.5	86.8	286.9	373.6	1,400.7	857.4	2,258.1
May	1,323.0	575.5	1,898.5	84.0	291.3	375.3	1,407.0	866.9	2,273.9
1986: February	1,356.1	611.9	1,968.0	76.1	297.3	373.4	1,432.2	909.2	2,341.4
March	1,361.4	605.1	1,966.5	85.4	319.9	405.3	1,446.9	925.0	2,371.8
April (b)	1,347.2	601.4	1,948.5	101.9	335.1	437.0	1,449.1	936.4	2,385.5
May	1,353.5	599.2	1,952.7	97.0	325.0	422.0	1,450.5	924.2	2,374.7

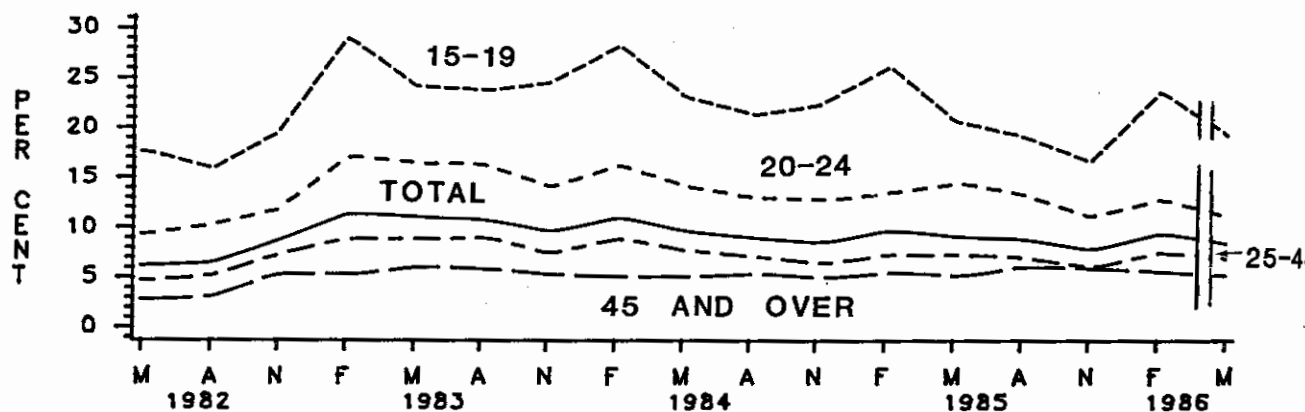
(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 7. EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : STATUS OF WORKER, N.S.W.
('000)

Month	Wage and salary earners			Employers and self-employed			Total (b) (c)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1982: May	1,211.9	729.0	1,940.9	218.6	89.0	307.6	1,434.0	822.8	2,256.8
1983: May	1,146.0	725.8	1,871.8	215.1	83.4	298.6	1,367.0	815.7	2,182.7
1984: May	1,164.3	765.1	1,929.4	221.6	87.3	308.9	1,391.6	856.6	2,248.2
1985: February	1,171.6	773.8	1,945.4	231.4	91.9	323.2	1,406.6	868.1	2,274.7
May	1,174.0	762.4	1,936.4	230.6	100.0	330.6	1,407.0	866.9	2,273.9
August	1,146.8	769.5	1,916.3	246.9	93.8	340.7	1,397.7	869.8	2,267.6
November	1,191.9	813.8	2,005.7	237.6	94.0	331.6	1,434.8	913.4	2,348.2
1986: February	1,205.7	811.2	2,017.0	223.2	95.0	318.2	1,432.2	909.2	2,341.4
May	1,211.5	816.7	2,028.2	228.1	91.5	319.6	1,450.5	924.2	2,374.7

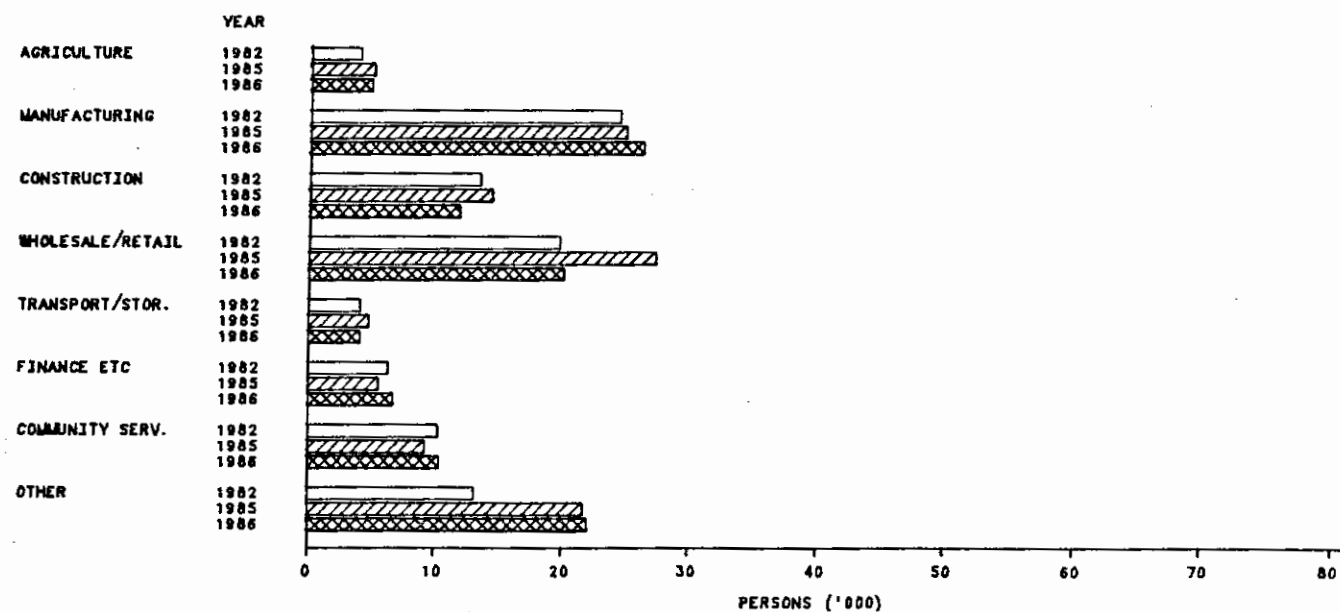
(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) Includes unpaid family helpers who worked 1 hour or more in survey week. (c) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory, Note 6.

DIAGRAM 4: UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, N.S.W.,
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AND AGE (SEE TABLE 9)

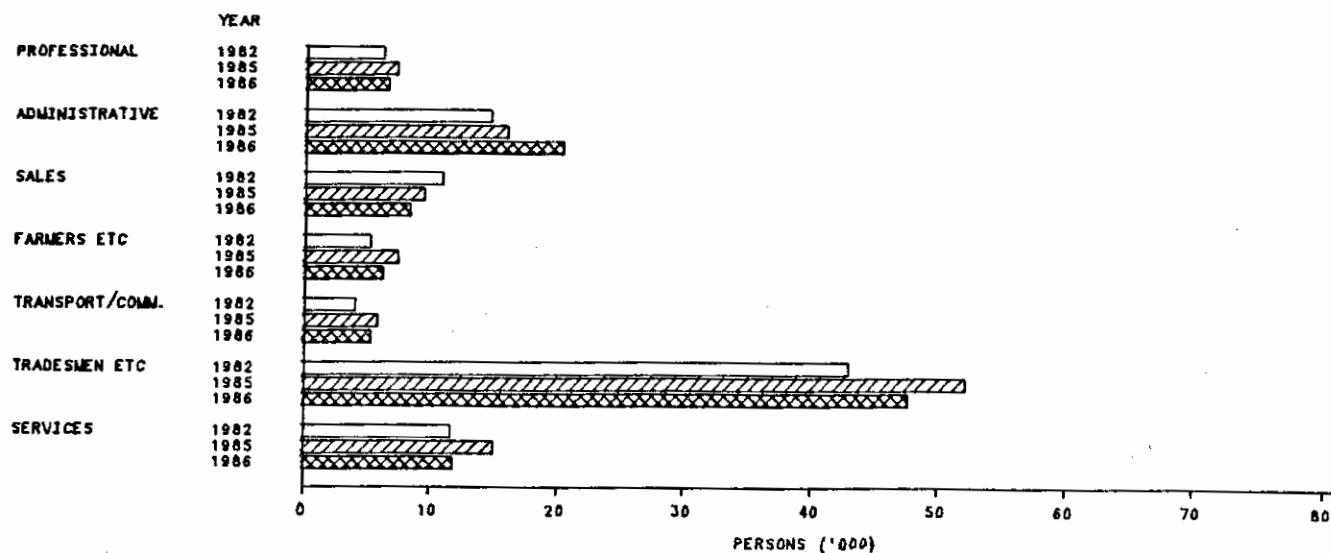


**UNEMPLOYED PERSONS WHO HAD WORKED FOR TWO WEEKS OR MORE IN A
 FULL-TIME JOB IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, N.S.W., MAY**

INDUSTRY (SEE TABLE 10)



OCCUPATION (SEE TABLE 10)



Note: Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 8. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : AGE GROUP, N.S.W.
('000)

Month	Age group (years)						Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over	
MALES							
1982: May	24.3	21.4	19.4	9.7	5.6	4.7	85.1
1983: May	32.1	41.3	36.9	24.8	15.8	11.5	162.3
1984: May	32.2	32.6	37.6	20.3	13.0	10.6	146.2
1985: March	33.8	30.4	39.9	16.6	14.2	11.9	146.9
April	28.4	28.6	37.0	16.6	12.7	11.1	134.4
May	26.1	32.4	39.7	18.5	11.5	13.3	141.6
1986: February	33.3	28.5	33.6	20.6	14.0	10.1	140.1
March	<u>31.6</u>	<u>23.8</u>	<u>32.5</u>	<u>20.3</u>	<u>12.3</u>	<u>11.5</u>	<u>132.0</u>
April (a)	30.9	27.6	29.3	18.1	13.2	9.3	128.4
May	25.5	23.8	32.1	20.6	13.4	12.0	127.4
FEMALES							
1982: May	22.4	12.7	13.0	10.6	5.9	*	65.3
1983: May	30.7	19.7	24.1	18.8	8.0	*	104.3
1984: May	26.4	19.2	22.2	12.9	6.9	*	89.6
1985: March	30.6	21.3	24.4	15.2	5.2	*	99.3
April	26.7	21.8	18.6	12.0	6.0	*	87.9
May	25.2	20.7	19.8	11.6	4.9	*	84.6
1986: February	29.0	19.9	23.7	19.7	9.3	*	103.9
March	<u>29.1</u>	<u>17.9</u>	<u>24.3</u>	<u>19.5</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>100.0</u>
April (a)	27.9	20.4	21.5	15.1	6.3	*	94.0
May	25.8	16.1	20.7	15.7	5.0	*	86.1
PERSONS							
1982: May	46.8	34.1	32.4	20.2	11.6	5.3	150.4
1983: May	62.8	61.0	61.0	43.6	23.8	14.4	266.6
1984: May	58.6	51.8	59.8	33.1	19.8	12.7	235.8
1985: March	64.4	51.7	64.4	31.8	19.4	14.5	246.2
April	55.2	50.4	55.6	28.6	18.6	13.9	222.3
May	51.3	53.2	59.5	30.1	16.3	15.7	226.1
1986: February	62.4	48.4	57.3	40.3	23.3	12.3	244.0
March	<u>60.7</u>	<u>41.7</u>	<u>56.8</u>	<u>39.8</u>	<u>19.2</u>	<u>13.9</u>	<u>232.0</u>
April (a)	58.8	48.0	50.8	33.3	19.5	12.0	222.4
May	51.3	40.0	52.8	36.3	18.4	14.7	213.6

(a) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 9. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (a) AND AGE GROUP, N.S.W.
(per cent)

Month	Age group (years)						Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over	
MALES							
1982: May	16.5	10.4	4.8	3.0	2.2	2.6	5.6
1983: May	23.4	19.6	9.0	7.3	6.3	6.4	10.6
1984: May	24.1	15.9	9.1	5.7	5.1	5.9	9.5
1985: March	25.5	14.8	9.6	4.6	5.6	6.3	9.4
April	22.3	14.1	8.9	4.6	5.1	6.2	8.8
May	19.7	15.9	9.5	5.1	4.5	7.4	9.1
1986: February	23.8	13.7	8.1	5.5	5.5	5.6	8.9
March	<u>22.5</u>	<u>11.6</u>	<u>7.8</u>	<u>5.4</u>	<u>4.8</u>	<u>6.2</u>	<u>8.4</u>
April (b)	21.3	13.4	7.1	4.9	5.1	5.0	8.1
May	17.9	11.6	7.7	5.5	5.2	6.5	8.1
FEMALES							
1982: May	19.0	8.0	5.8	5.5	4.5	*	7.4
1983: May	24.7	12.0	10.3	9.2	6.1	*	11.3
1984: May	21.6	11.5	9.3	6.0	4.8	*	9.5
1985: March	24.2	12.9	9.6	6.7	3.7	*	10.2
April	22.4	12.9	7.8	5.5	4.4	*	9.3
May	21.4	12.5	8.2	5.1	3.6	*	8.9
1986: February	23.1	11.8	8.8	8.1	6.4	*	10.3
March	<u>22.3</u>	<u>10.8</u>	<u>9.0</u>	<u>7.9</u>	<u>4.6</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>9.8</u>
April (b)	21.7	12.3	7.9	6.2	4.2	*	9.1
May	20.5	10.1	7.6	6.5	3.4	*	8.5
PERSONS							
1982: May	17.6	9.3	5.1	3.9	3.0	2.2	6.2
1983: May	24.0	16.3	9.5	8.0	6.2	6.0	10.9
1984: May	22.9	14.0	9.2	5.8	5.0	5.2	9.5
1985: March	24.9	14.0	9.6	5.4	4.9	5.7	9.7
April	22.4	13.5	8.5	4.9	4.8	5.8	9.0
May	20.5	14.4	9.0	5.1	4.2	6.4	9.0
1986: February	23.5	12.8	8.4	6.6	5.8	5.1	9.4
March	<u>22.4</u>	<u>11.2</u>	<u>8.3</u>	<u>6.4</u>	<u>4.7</u>	<u>5.6</u>	<u>8.9</u>
April (b)	21.5	12.9	7.4	5.4	4.8	4.7	8.5
May	19.1	11.0	7.7	5.9	4.6	6.0	8.3

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

(b) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

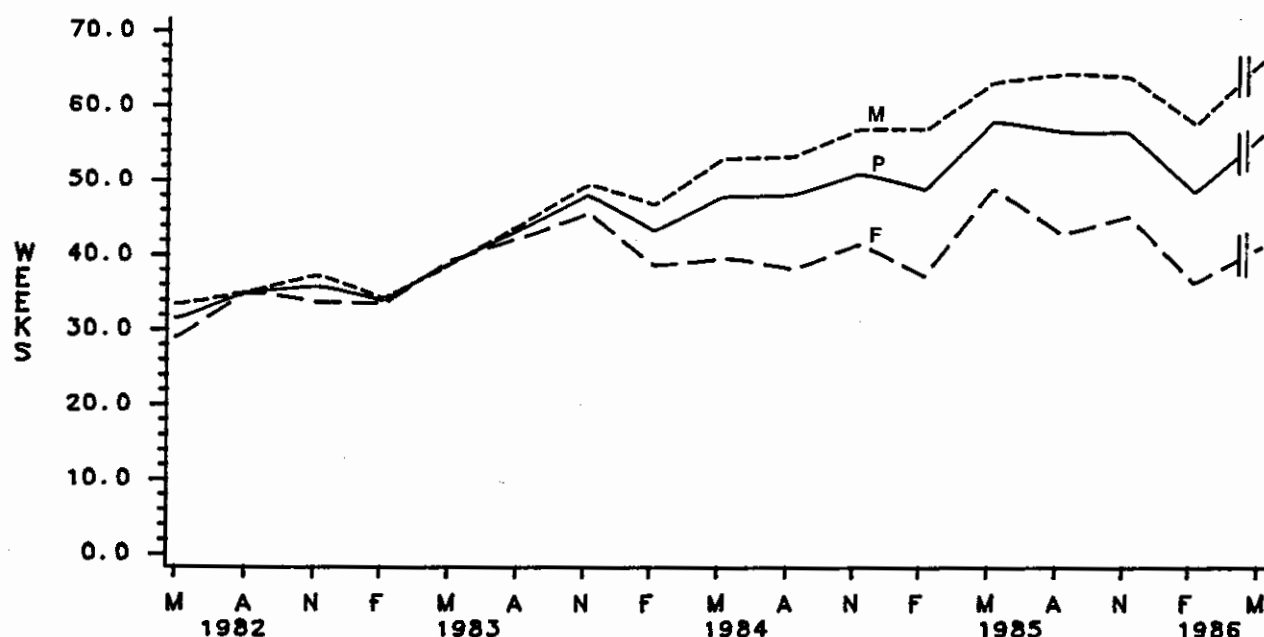
TABLE 10. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : INDUSTRY DIVISION AND MAJOR OCCUPATION GROUP OF LAST FULL-TIME JOB,
N.S.W.
('000)

Category	May 1982	May 1985	February 1986	May 1986 (b)		
	Persons	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Had worked for two weeks or more in a full-time job in the last two years	96.4	114.0	119.0	73.3	34.1	107.4
Industry division -						
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	4.1	5.2	7.0	4.3	*	5.0
Manufacturing	24.6	25.1	22.8	19.2	7.4	26.5
Construction	13.6	14.5	10.4	11.5	*	12.0
Wholesale and retail trade	19.9	27.5	29.3	13.7	6.5	20.2
Transport and storage	4.2	4.9	4.0	3.8	*	4.2
Finance, property and business services	6.5	5.7	9.0	*	*	6.9
Community services (c)	10.4	9.4	13.9	3.8	6.7	10.5
Other industries (d)	13.2	21.8	22.5	13.5	8.6	22.1
Major occupation group -						
Professional, technical, etc.	6.3	7.4	9.5	4.0	*	6.7
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	14.7	16.0	21.5	7.0	13.4	20.4
Sales	11.0	9.6	11.1	4.5	4.0	8.5
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, miners, etc.	5.4	7.6	8.1	6.2	*	6.4
Transport and communication	4.2	6.0	5.4	4.8	*	5.5
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	43.1	52.3	50.0	41.0	6.8	47.8
Service, sport and recreation	11.8	15.1	13.4	5.7	6.2	12.0
Other -						
Looking for first job (e)	23.1	35.3	47.9	11.0	15.9	26.9
Other (f)	27.6	75.0	73.5	41.8	34.1	75.9
Stood down (g)	*	*	*	*	*	*
Total	150.4	226.1	244.0	127.4	86.1	213.6

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6. (c) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and Religious and Social Welfare Services. (d) Comprises Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services. (e) Persons who had never worked for two weeks or more in a full-time job. (f) Persons who had not worked full-time for two weeks or more during the last two years but who had at some time in the past. (g) See Explanatory Note 8 (c) ii.

DIAGRAM 5: AVERAGE DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, N.S.W.

(THE DURATION OBTAINED BY DIVIDING THE AGGREGATE
NUMBER OF WEEKS A GROUP HAS BEEN UNEMPLOYED
BY THE NUMBER OF PERSONS IN THAT GROUP)



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

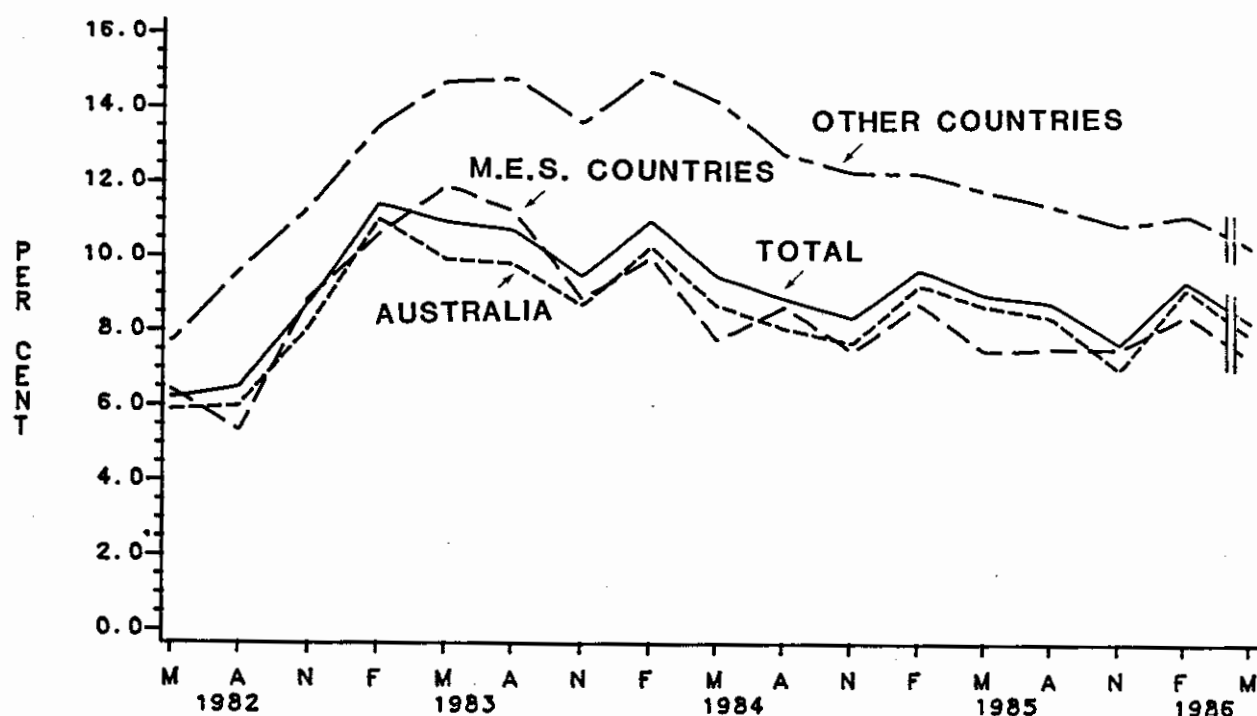
TABLE 11. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT (b), N.S.W.

Duration of unemployment (weeks)	May 1982	May 1985	February 1986	March 1986	April 1986(c)	May 1986		
	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
('000)								
Under 2	14.4	10.6	15.4	15.8	12.8	6.5	8.1	14.6
2 and under 4	16.1	14.7	25.4	22.0	16.9	11.4	8.8	20.1
4 and under 8	24.3	16.5	31.3	25.2	28.7	11.9	8.4	20.3
8 and under 13	17.4	19.4	37.2	30.1	20.7	10.3	8.8	19.1
13 and under 26	34.0	44.0	30.4	39.0	44.8	16.0	20.2	36.1
26 and under 39	13.1	24.7	18.7	18.4	18.9	15.9	9.1	25.1
39 and under 52	*	7.7	7.4	7.1	8.2	5.4	*	7.8
52 and under 104	12.6	37.4	33.8	30.6	28.8	18.5	11.2	29.8
104 and over	14.9	51.3	44.3	43.8	42.7	31.5	9.2	40.7
Total	150.4	226.1	244.0	232.0	222.4	127.4	86.1	213.6
(weeks)								
Average duration of unemployment (d)	31.4	57.7	48.2	50.4	52.4	66.0	41.1	55.9

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) Period from the time the person began looking for work or was stood down to the end of the survey week. Periods of unemployment are recorded in complete weeks and this results in a slight understatement of duration of unemployment. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6. (d) Average duration is obtained by dividing the aggregate number of weeks a group has been unemployed by the number of persons in that group.

DIAGRAM 6: UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AND BIRTHPLACE, N.S.W.

(THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED IN EACH GROUP AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE LABOUR FORCE IN THE SAME GROUP)



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 12. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a) : UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (b) AND BIRTHPLACE, N.S.W. (per cent)

Month	Born in Australia	Born overseas			Total persons
		Main English speaking countries (c)	Other countries	Total, born overseas	
1982: May	5.9	6.4	7.7	7.2	6.2
1983: May	9.9	11.9	14.7	13.6	10.9
1984: May	8.7	7.8	14.2	11.7	9.5
1985: March	9.2	8.2	13.1	11.1	9.7
April	8.7	6.2	12.2	9.8	9.0
May	8.7	7.5	11.8	10.1	9.0
1986: February	9.2	8.5	11.2	10.2	9.4
March	8.7	6.7	11.4	9.6	8.9
April (d)	8.4	7.4	10.0	9.0	8.5
May	7.9	7.3	10.3	9.2	8.3

(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group. (c) Comprises United Kingdom, Ireland, United States of America, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand. (d) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 13. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) : UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (b) AND PARTICIPATION RATE (c),
REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES
(per cent)

Month	Central Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Sub- divisions	Southern Sydney Sub- division	South Western Sydney Sub- division	Western Sydney Sub- division	Northern Sydney Sub- division	Total, Sydney Statist- ical Division (d)	Newcastle Statist- ical District	Hunter Statist- ical Division (e)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE								
1983: May	12.7	9.7	12.3	11.4	5.9	10.3	12.5	12.4
1984: May	10.5	8.7	10.2	9.9	4.1	8.7	13.9	12.8
1985: March	10.1	8.0	10.5	9.9	4.5	8.5	12.2	12.1
April	9.9	6.4	10.2	9.7	3.5	7.8	11.6	11.8
May	9.5	8.1	9.7	10.0	3.4	8.2	11.4	10.8
June	9.4	7.1	8.8	9.3	3.9	7.8	11.9	11.3
July	7.5	6.4	8.0	9.8	3.9	7.3	10.6	9.9
August	7.8	6.9	7.6	10.1	3.7	7.5	10.5	10.1
September	8.1	6.7	7.5	9.0	3.7	7.3	10.5	10.1
October	7.0	6.1	5.9	8.1	3.1	6.4	9.4	9.2
November	7.4	5.7	6.8	7.8	4.3	6.7	9.3	9.1
December	7.4	6.5	7.5	8.4	4.3	7.1	11.2	11.2
1986: January	9.4	6.8	8.3	8.9	5.2	7.9	13.5	13.0
February	8.6	7.0	10.4	9.3	5.2	8.3	12.2	12.6
March	<u>8.3</u>	<u>6.5</u>	<u>9.7</u>	<u>9.1</u>	<u>4.9</u>	<u>7.8</u>	<u>11.8</u>	<u>11.4</u>
April (h)	8.4	7.1	7.8	8.8	3.5	7.3	10.6	10.5
May	10.0	5.2	8.5	7.7	4.0	7.1	8.6	8.6
PARTICIPATION RATE								
1983: May	62.2	60.0	65.3	62.5	65.1	61.8	58.1	57.9
1984: May	62.1	60.5	68.0	63.0	62.2	61.6	56.3	56.3
1985: March	63.9	60.8	63.1	62.3	65.2	62.4	55.9	56.4
April	62.5	59.7	61.8	61.5	63.2	61.0	55.5	55.4
May	62.0	60.6	62.8	62.8	64.5	61.9	56.2	56.0
June	59.9	59.6	61.9	61.8	64.1	60.9	57.2	57.2
July	60.4	59.6	62.4	63.0	62.6	61.0	56.8	56.3
August	60.6	59.6	63.8	62.4	63.4	61.1	55.9	56.7
September	61.3	60.9	63.5	63.3	63.7	61.9	57.4	58.0
October	58.8	59.6	63.8	62.0	63.2	60.7	57.7	58.1
November	58.8	60.9	65.2	63.4	63.1	61.7	59.2	59.6
December	60.7	60.9	66.6	62.8	64.1	62.2	59.6	59.5
1986: January	59.9	60.4	65.7	61.8	62.1	61.1	58.4	59.1
February	59.9	60.4	69.0	63.0	64.4	62.2	60.2	59.5
March	<u>60.0</u>	<u>61.0</u>	<u>69.9</u>	<u>64.8</u>	<u>65.4</u>	<u>63.0</u>	<u>58.6</u>	<u>57.7</u>
April (h)	60.3	61.6	69.2	63.9	66.3	63.1	57.0	56.6
May	62.0	59.0	68.2	63.3	65.9	62.5	56.8	56.3

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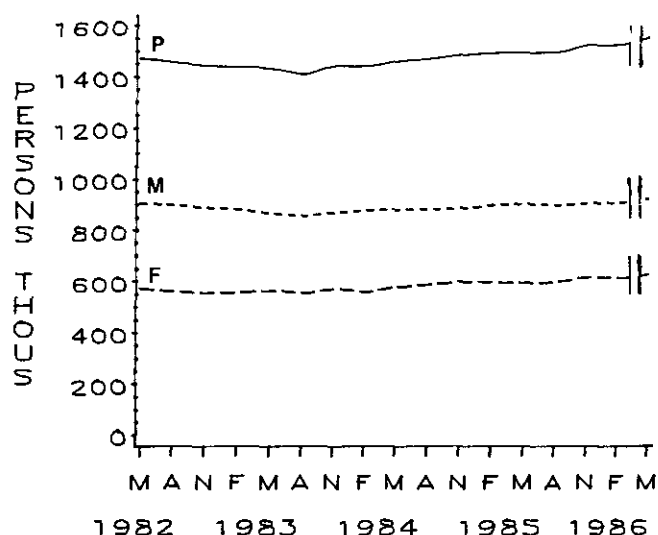
TABLE 13. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) : UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (b) AND PARTICIPATION RATE (c),
REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES (continued)
(per cent)

Month	Wollongong Statistical District	Illawarra and South- Eastern Statistical Divisions (f)	Richmond- Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Divisions	Northern, North-Western and Central West Statistical Divisions	Murray and Murrumbidgee Statistical Divisions	Total, Balance of N.S.W. (g)	Total, New South Wales
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE							
1983: May	16.3	14.1	15.7	9.4	9.3	12.1	10.9
1984: May	14.1	12.1	11.7	8.6	7.2	10.9	9.5
1985: March	13.4	12.9	16.5	9.9	8.7	11.9	9.7
April	14.4	13.1	13.0	9.1	7.8	11.1	9.0
May	13.6	11.2	15.3	8.6	6.8	10.5	9.0
June	13.4	12.8	13.1	9.7	8.5	11.1	9.0
July	12.0	11.5	11.9	9.7	7.7	10.2	8.3
August	13.8	11.6	15.9	10.0	8.9	11.1	8.8
September	13.8	11.2	15.6	10.2	7.4	10.7	8.6
October	11.7	9.5	13.8	9.2	7.8	9.6	7.6
November	12.5	9.9	12.3	8.3	8.4	9.3	7.7
December	14.3	11.3	12.5	10.3	7.8	10.7	8.4
1986: January	12.2	10.6	12.2	9.7	10.4	11.1	9.1
February	13.2	10.3	15.1	10.7	9.1	11.4	9.4
March	13.2	11.2	15.4	9.1	8.1	10.8	8.9
April (h)	12.1	10.9	15.5	9.4	8.0	10.8	8.5
May	12.8	11.5	14.3	9.8	8.0	10.3	8.3
PARTICIPATION RATE							
1983: May	58.6	58.1	53.0	57.7	61.7	57.7	60.3
1984: May	58.2	58.3	58.9	58.9	60.7	58.4	60.4
1985: March	59.0	59.3	51.8	64.9	62.8	58.9	61.1
April	58.4	58.7	49.6	62.8	60.3	57.4	59.7
May	57.7	57.3	49.5	62.7	59.9	57.0	60.1
June	57.4	57.3	49.7	64.3	59.3	57.8	59.8
July	54.8	56.5	49.6	62.6	61.7	57.2	59.6
August	57.0	57.5	50.1	60.9	56.3	56.7	59.5
September	59.4	59.7	52.7	61.9	61.7	58.9	60.7
October	57.2	57.4	52.1	61.6	59.6	58.0	59.7
November	57.4	56.6	52.2	63.2	61.4	58.7	60.6
December	59.9	57.9	51.9	63.6	61.7	59.1	61.1
1986: January	58.2	58.2	53.3	62.2	59.5	58.6	60.2
February	60.8	60.6	54.2	61.4	62.6	59.7	61.3
March	60.9	60.2	54.6	61.3	62.0	59.2	61.6
April (h)	59.7	59.1	55.8	62.0	63.5	59.1	61.6
May	60.6	59.1	52.3	63.8	63.3	58.6	61.0

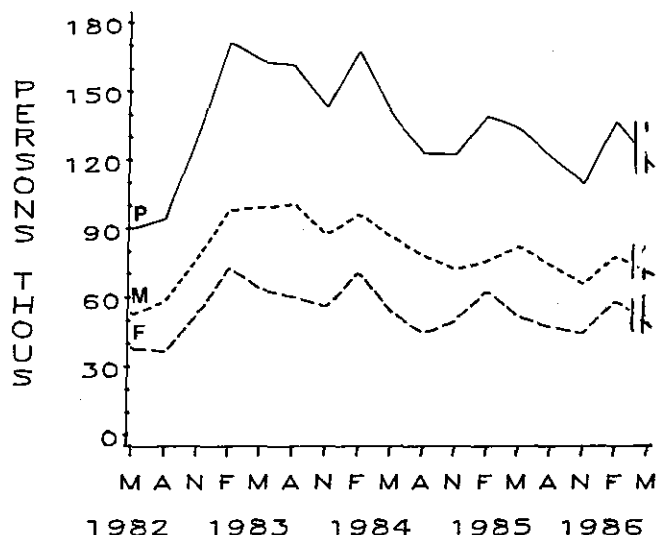
(a) Aged 15 and over. (b) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group. (c) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (d) Includes Gosford-Wyong Subdivision. (e) Includes Newcastle Statistical District. (f) Includes Wollongong Statistical District. (g) Includes Far West Statistical Division. (h) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 7: SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION

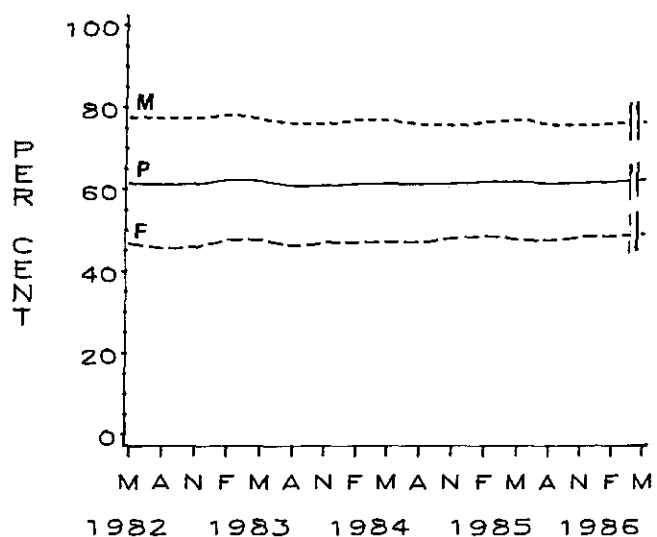
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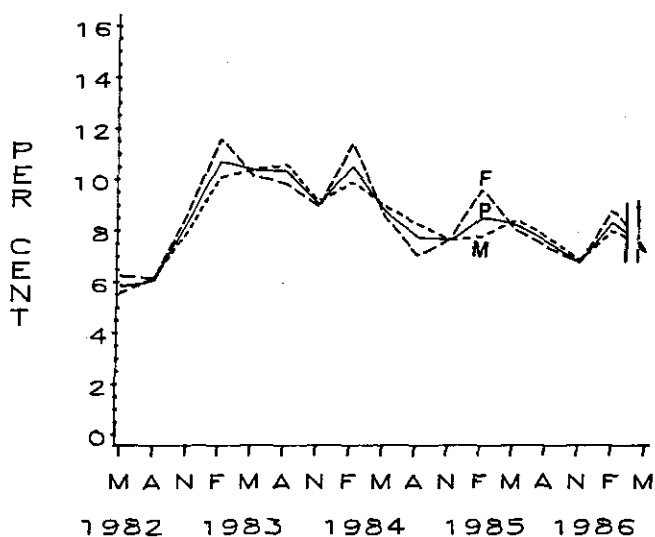
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 118,300 and the unemployment rate was 7.1 per cent. These estimates represented a significant decrease from the February 1986 estimates of 136,900 persons unemployed and an unemployment rate of 8.3 per cent, and from the May 1985 estimates of 133,700 persons unemployed and an unemployment rate of 8.2 per cent. The unemployment rate in the Sydney Statistical Division continued to be approximately 1.0 percentage point below that for total New South Wales.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 1,546,500, which represented a significant increase on the estimates in February 1986 of 1,512,900 persons and in May 1985 of 1,488,500 persons. A rise in the number of persons in part-time employment accounted for most of the increase between February and May 1986.

TABLE 14. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION

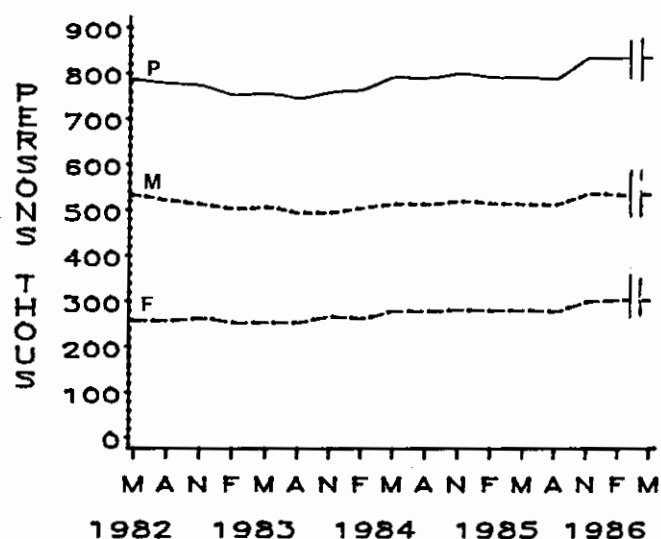
Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Civilian population aged 15 and over ('000)	Unemployment rate (a) (per cent)	Participation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full-time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full-time work ('000)	Total ('000)					
MALES									
1982: May	857.6	903.0	48.0	53.1	956.1	276.3	1,232.3	5.6	77.6
1983: May	801.1	862.3	93.6	99.6	962.0	288.7	1,250.7	10.4	76.9
1984: May	824.0	880.0	79.9	86.1	966.1	295.2	1,261.3	8.9	76.6
1985: March	848.5	901.0	74.1	79.5	980.5	289.9	1,270.4	8.1	77.2
April	837.9	893.3	69.7	73.1	966.5	305.1	1,271.6	7.6	76.0
May	843.4	899.3	75.4	82.3	981.6	291.1	1,272.7	8.4	77.1
1986: February	856.3	904.4	72.1	78.2	982.5	305.6	1,288.1	8.0	76.3
March	864.7	<u>918.7</u>	<u>63.3</u>	<u>72.2</u>	<u>990.9</u>	<u>299.4</u>	1,290.2	<u>7.3</u>	<u>76.8</u>
April (c)	859.4	924.0	63.3	68.3	992.3	299.7	1,292.0	6.9	76.8
May	863.5	920.0	62.9	70.3	990.3	303.5	1,293.8	7.1	76.5
MARRIED FEMALES									
1982: May	192.3	314.3	8.1	15.1	329.4	409.8	739.3	4.6	44.6
1983: May	186.5	312.2	16.3	25.8	338.0	419.8	757.8	7.6	44.6
1984: May	192.9	326.8	11.4	19.5	346.3	410.3	756.6	5.6	45.8
1985: March	197.8	332.5	14.2	23.1	355.6	405.7	761.3	6.5	46.7
April	188.0	318.7	11.2	19.2	337.9	420.0	757.9	5.7	44.6
May	189.7	328.2	11.6	19.1	347.2	413.4	760.6	5.5	45.7
1986: February	208.3	336.0	15.5	23.9	359.9	397.7	757.6	6.6	47.5
March	212.5	<u>354.5</u>	<u>15.4</u>	<u>23.2</u>	<u>377.8</u>	<u>392.1</u>	769.8	<u>6.1</u>	<u>49.1</u>
April (c)	214.8	360.8	12.6	19.2	380.1	383.1	763.2	5.1	49.8
May	211.0	357.0	11.0	18.8	375.8	388.9	764.7	5.0	49.1
ALL FEMALES									
1982: May	403.4	568.2	25.5	37.7	605.9	697.3	1,303.2	6.2	46.5
1983: May	396.2	565.3	47.9	63.4	628.7	694.3	1,323.0	10.1	47.5
1984: May	392.5	578.9	40.2	53.7	632.6	703.3	1,335.9	8.5	47.4
1985: March	409.0	592.5	42.8	59.4	651.8	694.3	1,346.1	9.1	48.4
April	403.4	580.4	37.0	51.6	632.0	715.3	1,347.3	8.2	46.9
May	401.9	589.2	39.4	51.4	640.6	707.8	1,348.4	8.0	47.5
1986: February	429.6	608.5	44.0	58.8	667.3	696.8	1,364.1	8.8	48.9
March	424.6	<u>624.1</u>	<u>41.9</u>	<u>59.1</u>	<u>683.1</u>	<u>683.0</u>	1,366.1	<u>8.6</u>	<u>50.0</u>
April (c)	424.3	631.8	39.0	54.1	685.9	682.0	1,367.9	7.9	50.1
May	422.9	626.5	32.3	48.0	674.5	695.1	1,369.6	7.1	49.2
PERSONS									
1982: May	1,261.1	1,471.2	73.4	90.8	1,562.0	973.6	2,535.5	5.8	61.6
1983: May	1,197.3	1,427.6	141.5	163.1	1,590.7	983.0	2,573.7	10.3	61.8
1984: May	1,216.6	1,459.0	120.1	139.7	1,598.7	998.5	2,597.2	8.7	61.6
1985: March	1,257.6	1,493.5	116.9	138.8	1,632.3	984.2	2,616.5	8.5	62.4
April	1,241.3	1,473.7	106.7	124.7	1,598.5	1,020.4	2,618.9	7.8	61.0
May	1,245.3	1,488.5	114.8	133.7	1,622.2	998.9	2,621.1	8.2	61.9
1986: February	1,285.9	1,512.9	116.1	136.9	1,649.8	1,002.4	2,652.2	8.3	62.2
March	1,289.3	<u>1,542.8</u>	<u>105.2</u>	<u>131.2</u>	<u>1,674.0</u>	<u>982.4</u>	2,656.3	<u>7.8</u>	<u>63.0</u>
April (c)	1,283.7	1,555.8	102.4	122.4	1,678.2	981.7	2,659.9	7.3	63.1
May	1,286.5	1,546.5	95.2	118.3	1,664.8	998.6	2,663.4	7.1	62.5

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

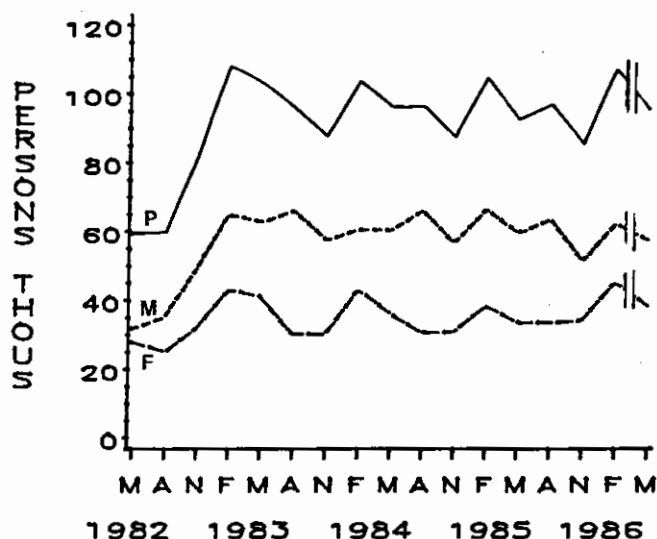
(b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 8: BALANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES

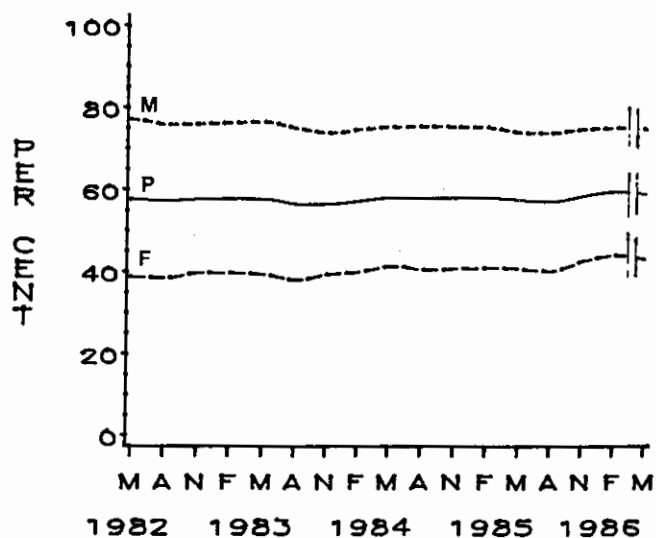
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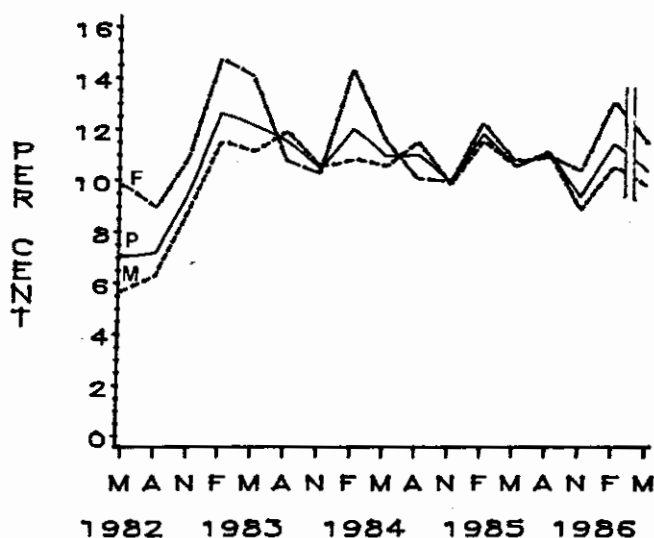
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 95,300 and the unemployment rate was 10.3 per cent. These estimates represented a significant decrease from the February 1986 estimates of 107,100 persons unemployed and an unemployment rate of 11.4 per cent, but were little different to the estimates in May 1985 of 92,500 persons unemployed and an unemployment rate of 10.5 per cent. The unemployment rate in the Balance of New South Wales continued to be approximately 2.0 percentage points above that for total New South Wales.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 828,200, which was little different to the estimate in February 1986 of 828,500, but which represented a significant increase on the estimate in May 1985 of 785,300 persons. A rise in the number of persons in part-time employment (29,900) accounted for most of this increase.

TABLE 15. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: BALANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES

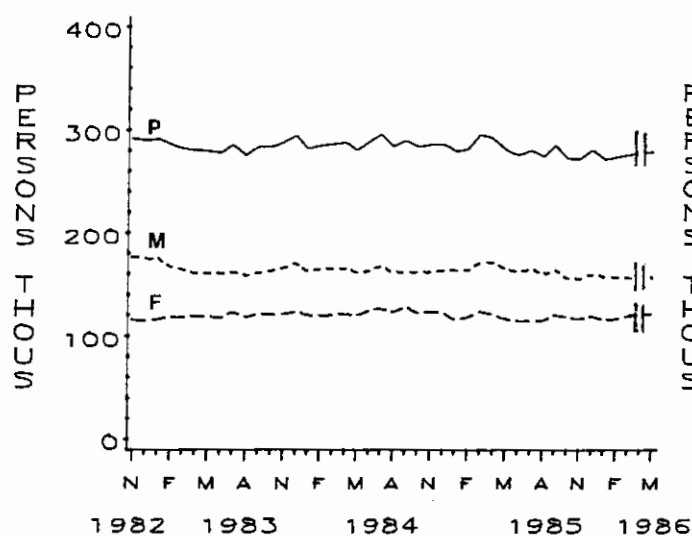
Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Civilian population aged 15 and over ('000)	Unemployment rate (a) (per cent)	Participation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full-time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full-time work ('000)	Total ('000)					
MALES									
1982: May	502.9	531.1	30.4	32.0	563.1	168.8	731.9	5.7	76.9
1983: May	471.5	504.7	60.7	62.7	567.4	174.8	742.2	11.1	75.4
1984: May	482.1	511.5	56.6	60.2	571.7	137.7	759.4	10.5	75.3
1985: March	479.2	512.7	66.0	67.4	580.1	139.0	769.1	11.6	75.4
April	476.1	507.4	59.8	61.3	568.7	201.2	769.8	10.3	73.9
May	479.6	507.7	57.0	59.3	567.0	204.0	771.0	10.5	73.5
1986: February	499.8	527.8	57.7	62.0	589.8	195.1	784.9	10.5	75.1
March	496.8	528.2	57.8	59.8	588.0	198.7	786.7	10.2	74.7
April (c)	487.8	525.1	56.2	60.1	585.2	202.9	788.0	10.3	74.3
May	490.0	530.5	55.4	57.1	587.6	202.0	789.6	9.7	74.4
MARRIED FEMALES									
1982: May	80.7	158.4	5.6	9.5	167.9	302.5	470.5	5.7	35.7
1983: May	90.0	164.1	8.8	13.4	177.5	299.0	476.5	7.6	37.3
1984: May	83.7	171.5	7.5	13.6	185.0	282.4	467.4	7.3	39.6
1985: March	98.1	183.3	7.0	13.2	196.5	283.2	479.7	6.7	41.0
April	91.5	174.6	6.7	11.1	185.7	286.7	472.5	6.0	39.3
May	96.9	175.7	6.0	9.6	185.3	291.8	477.1	5.2	38.8
1986: February	105.9	197.7	10.0	15.6	213.2	275.0	488.2	7.3	43.7
March	103.2	192.6	9.0	15.6	208.1	277.1	485.3	7.5	42.9
April (c)	102.1	196.0	10.1	16.6	212.6	281.7	494.4	7.8	43.0
May	104.4	197.8	8.6	14.7	212.5	285.6	498.1	6.9	42.7
ALL FEMALES									
1982: May	154.8	254.6	21.2	27.6	282.2	452.2	734.3	9.8	38.4
1983: May	152.7	250.4	32.4	40.9	291.3	454.5	745.7	14.0	39.1
1984: May	162.8	277.7	28.3	35.9	313.7	443.9	757.6	11.5	41.4
1985: March	172.2	284.9	29.4	40.0	324.8	442.0	766.8	12.3	42.4
April	167.2	277.0	26.6	36.3	313.3	454.5	767.8	11.6	40.8
May	173.7	277.6	26.3	33.2	310.8	458.1	768.9	10.7	40.4
1986: February	182.3	300.6	35.7	45.1	345.7	436.5	782.2	13.0	44.2
March	180.5	300.9	29.9	41.0	341.9	442.0	783.9	12.0	43.6
April (c)	177.0	304.6	29.8	39.9	344.5	440.8	785.3	11.6	43.9
May	176.2	297.7	28.7	38.1	335.8	450.9	786.8	11.4	42.7
PERSONS									
1982: May	657.7	785.7	51.6	59.6	845.3	621.0	1,466.2	7.0	57.6
1983: May	624.2	755.1	93.1	103.6	858.6	629.3	1,487.9	12.1	57.7
1984: May	644.8	789.2	84.9	96.1	885.3	631.6	1,517.0	10.9	58.4
1985: March	651.4	797.6	95.4	107.4	905.0	631.0	1,535.9	11.9	58.9
April	643.2	784.4	86.3	97.5	881.9	655.7	1,537.6	11.1	57.4
May	653.2	785.3	83.3	92.5	877.8	662.0	1,539.8	10.5	57.0
1986: February	682.1	828.5	93.4	107.1	935.5	631.6	1,567.2	11.4	59.7
March	677.2	829.1	87.7	100.8	929.9	640.7	1,570.6	10.8	59.2
April (c)	664.8	829.7	86.0	100.0	929.7	643.6	1,573.3	10.8	59.1
May	666.2	828.2	84.1	95.3	923.4	653.0	1,576.4	10.3	58.6

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

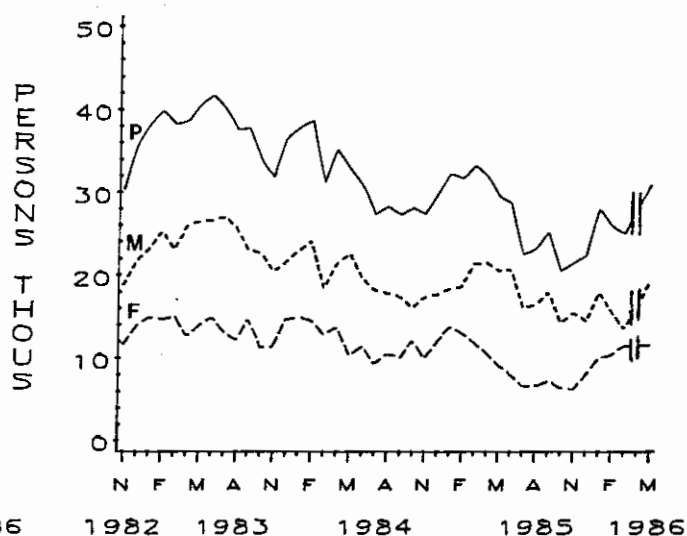
(b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 9: CENTRAL SYDNEY AND INNER WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISIONS

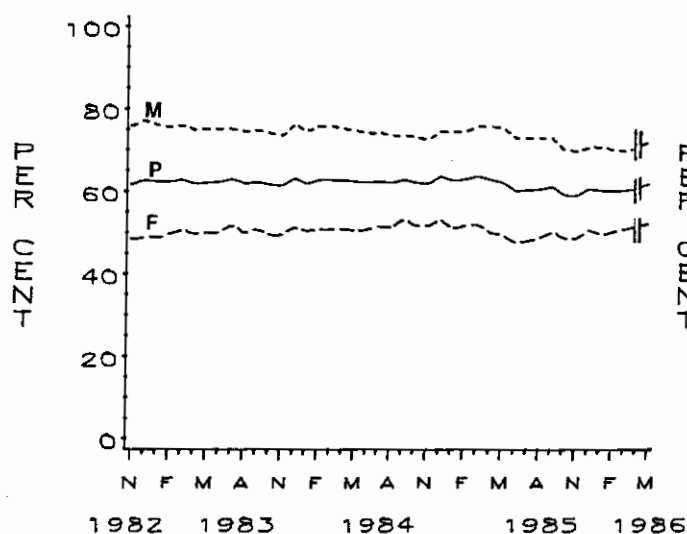
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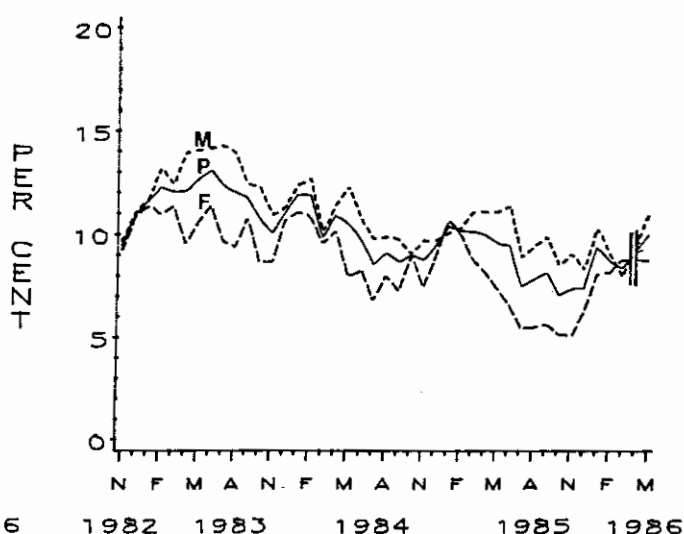
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 30,900 and the unemployment rate was 10.0 per cent. These estimates represented an apparent increase on the estimates in February 1986 of 25,800 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 8.6 per cent, but were little different to the estimates in May 1985 of 29,500 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 9.5 per cent. In contrast to the majority of regions, the unemployment rate for males in this region is higher, in most months, than that for females.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 278,500, which was little different to the estimates in February 1986 of 273,100 persons and in May 1985 of 279,300 persons.

TABLE 16. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
CENTRAL SYDNEY AND INNER WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISIONS

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	148.5	161.4	24.8	26.6	187.9	62.2	14.1	75.1
1984: May	150.3	160.8	20.8	22.6	183.3	62.4	12.3	74.6
1985: March	158.5	171.1	19.4	21.4	192.4	61.2	11.1	75.9
April	158.1	171.5	20.1	21.5	193.1	62.5	11.1	75.5
May	150.3	163.9	17.5	20.4	184.4	61.0	11.1	75.1
1986: February	142.2	156.0	13.4	15.4	171.4	74.1	9.0	69.8
March	144.6	155.5	11.4	13.4	169.0	74.0	7.9	69.5
April (c)	140.9	154.7	13.4	14.3	169.0	69.8	8.5	70.8
May	143.2	156.7	16.7	19.3	176.0	67.7	11.0	72.2
FEMALES								
1983: May	89.5	117.9	11.5	14.0	131.9	131.8	10.6	50.0
1984: May	83.6	118.8	8.1	10.3	129.1	128.1	7.9	50.2
1985: March	93.2	123.7	8.8	11.8	135.5	124.4	8.7	52.1
April	90.4	119.5	8.5	10.5	130.0	131.3	8.1	49.7
May	88.8	115.3	7.5	9.0	124.3	128.5	7.3	49.2
1986: February	93.2	117.1	9.5	10.4	127.6	126.0	8.2	50.3
March	94.8	119.9	9.2	11.6	131.5	126.3	8.8	51.0
April (c)	90.2	116.3	7.5	10.5	126.8	124.7	8.3	50.4
May	92.2	121.8	8.4	11.6	133.4	121.6	8.7	52.3
PERSONS								
1983: May	238.0	279.3	36.3	40.6	319.9	194.1	12.7	62.2
1984: May	233.9	279.6	28.8	32.8	312.4	190.5	10.5	62.1
1985: March	251.7	294.8	28.2	33.2	327.9	185.6	10.1	63.9
April	248.5	291.0	28.6	32.0	323.0	193.8	9.9	62.5
May	239.0	279.3	25.0	29.5	308.7	189.6	9.5	62.0
1986: February	235.5	273.1	22.9	25.8	298.9	200.1	8.6	59.9
March	239.4	275.4	20.6	25.0	300.4	200.3	8.3	60.0
April (c)	231.1	271.0	20.9	24.8	295.8	194.4	8.4	60.3
May	235.4	278.5	25.1	30.9	309.4	189.3	10.0	62.0

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

(b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

(c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 10: SOUTHERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 17,000 and the unemployment rate was 5.2 per cent. These estimates represented a significant decrease from the estimates in February 1986 of 23,600 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 7.0 per cent, and from the May 1985 estimates of 27,300 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 8.1 per cent. This region continued to record an unemployment rate below the rate for New South Wales in every month.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 311,800, which was little different to the estimates in February 1986 of 312,000 persons and in May 1985 of 309,400 persons.

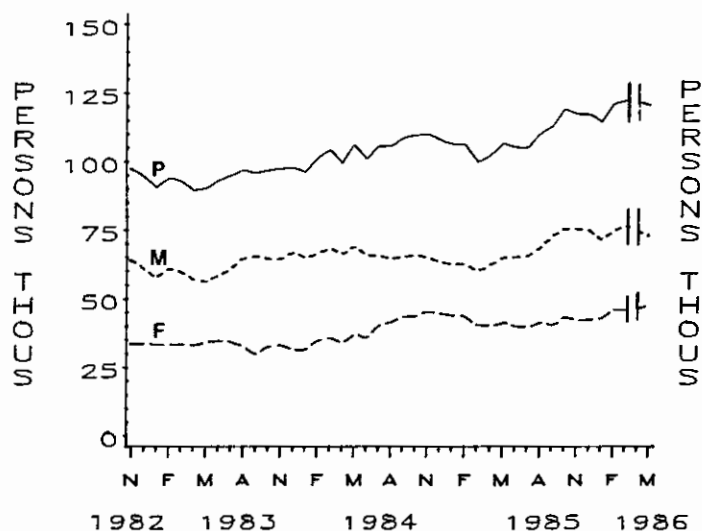
TABLE 17. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
SOUTHERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	177.2	189.0	18.7	20.2	209.2	69.6	9.6	75.0
1984: May	176.1	188.1	16.1	17.0	205.1	71.7	8.3	74.1
1985: March	178.2	186.6	12.9	14.2	200.8	64.6	7.1	75.7
April	176.6	186.3	11.7	12.1	198.5	71.9	6.1	73.4
May	177.6	186.8	14.5	15.3	202.1	70.6	7.6	74.1
1986: February	176.3	185.3	11.9	12.5	197.8	67.8	6.3	74.5
March	179.9	187.8	9.9	11.5	199.3	67.9	5.8	74.6
April (c)	175.6	186.7	11.8	12.4	199.1	66.9	6.3	74.8
May	176.1	184.8	9.1	9.6	194.4	70.2	4.9	73.5
FEMALES								
1983: May	81.2	115.3	8.7	12.4	127.7	154.6	9.7	45.2
1984: May	90.2	127.3	9.9	13.2	140.5	154.3	9.4	47.7
1985: March	86.5	121.2	9.1	12.6	133.8	151.0	9.4	47.0
April	84.8	123.5	7.2	9.2	132.7	151.8	6.9	46.6
May	83.2	122.6	9.3	11.9	134.5	148.3	8.9	47.6
1986: February	93.1	126.6	8.7	11.1	137.7	152.6	8.0	47.4
March	92.1	131.0	7.5	10.5	141.5	150.1	7.4	48.5
April (c)	91.9	133.2	8.5	11.9	145.1	147.6	8.2	49.6
May	88.6	127.0	4.8	7.3	134.3	158.0	5.5	45.9
PERSONS								
1983: May	258.4	304.3	27.4	32.6	336.9	224.2	9.7	60.0
1984: May	266.2	315.4	26.1	30.2	345.6	226.0	8.7	60.5
1985: March	264.7	307.8	22.0	26.8	334.6	215.6	8.0	60.8
April	261.3	309.9	18.9	21.3	331.2	223.6	6.4	59.7
May	260.8	309.4	23.8	27.3	336.6	218.9	8.1	60.6
1986: February	269.4	312.0	20.5	23.6	335.6	220.4	7.0	60.4
March	272.0	318.8	17.4	22.1	340.8	218.0	6.5	61.0
April (c)	267.5	319.9	20.3	24.4	344.2	214.5	7.1	61.6
May	264.7	311.8	13.9	17.0	328.3	228.3	5.2	59.0

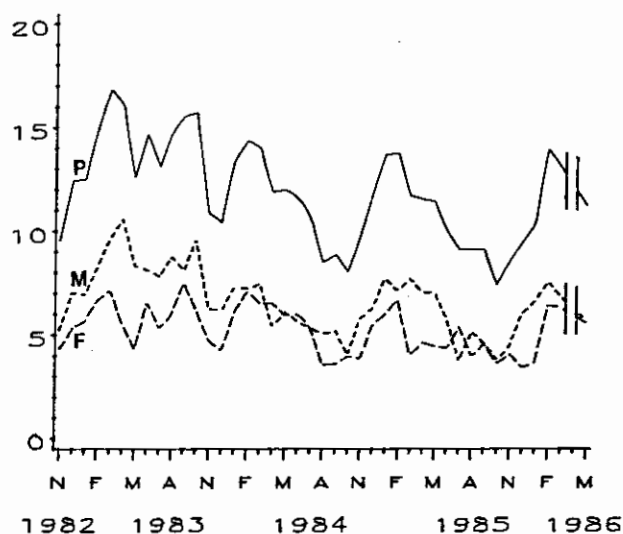
(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.
 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 11: SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

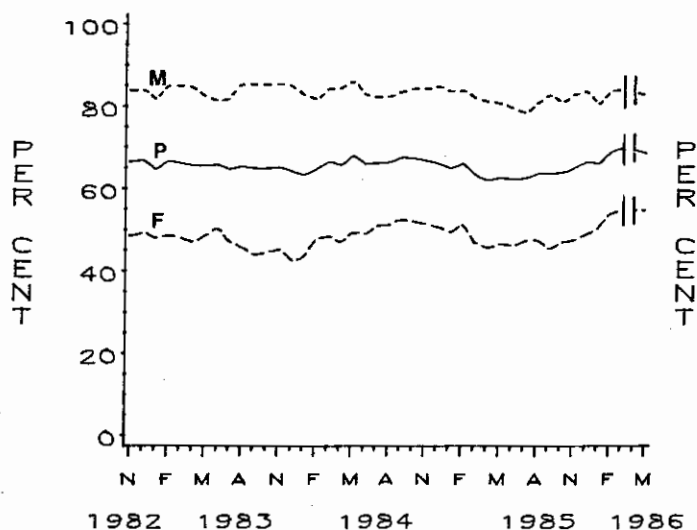
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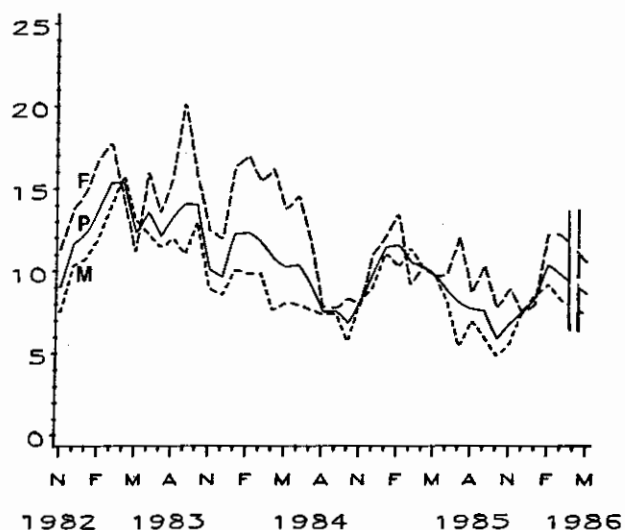
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PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of unemployed persons was 11,200 and the unemployment rate was 8.5 per cent. These estimates represented a significant decrease from the February 1986 estimates of 14,000 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 10.4 per cent, but were little different to the estimates in May 1985 of 11,400 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 9.7 per cent.
- The number of persons employed in May 1986 was 119,600, which was little different to the estimate in February 1986 of 120,500 persons, but represented a significant increase on the estimate in May 1985 of 106,200 persons.
- The labour force participation rate for this region continued to vary over the 12 months to May 1986. The participation rate in May 1986 was 68.2 per cent, which was 0.8 percentage points below the February 1986 estimate of 69.0 per cent and 5.4 percentage points above the May 1985 estimate of 62.8 per cent.

TABLE 18. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

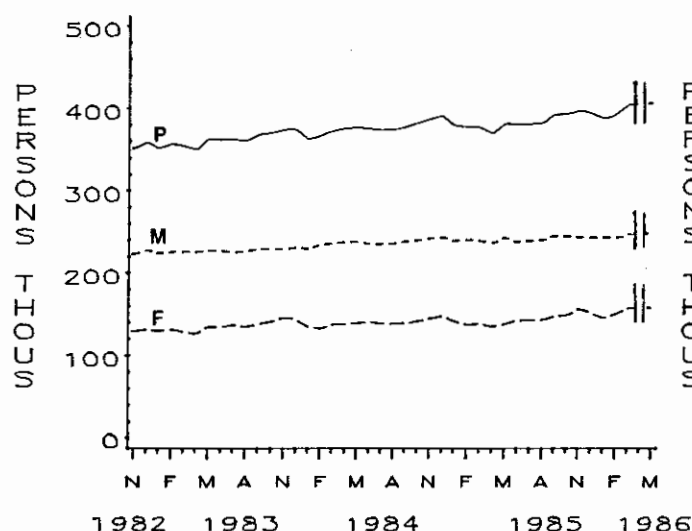
Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	52.6	55.8	8.1	8.3	64.1	14.0	13.0	82.1
1984: May	64.9	69.1	5.5	6.1	75.2	12.0	8.1	86.2
1985: March	57.1	59.5	7.7	7.7	67.2	15.0	11.4	81.7
April	59.6	62.2	5.9	7.0	69.2	16.4	10.1	80.8
May	62.3	64.9	6.6	7.0	71.9	17.5	9.7	80.4
1986: February	71.1	74.5	7.6	7.6	82.1	15.9	9.2	83.8
March	71.8	<u>76.5</u>	<u>6.0</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>83.3</u>	<u>15.9</u>	<u>8.2</u>	<u>84.0</u>
April (c)	72.4	76.6	5.2	5.4	82.0	16.5	6.6	83.3
May	68.6	72.1	5.0	5.6	77.7	16.7	7.3	82.3
FEMALES								
1983: May	21.7	34.2	*	4.3	38.5	40.6	11.1	48.7
1984: May	25.4	37.0	4.1	5.9	42.8	43.7	13.7	49.5
1985: March	27.1	39.9	*	4.0	43.9	50.1	9.1	46.7
April	28.1	39.7	*	4.6	44.2	53.5	10.3	45.2
May	26.3	41.3	3.5	4.4	45.7	52.1	9.6	46.7
1986: February	30.1	45.9	4.7	6.4	52.4	44.5	12.2	54.1
March	26.4	<u>45.3</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>6.3</u>	<u>51.6</u>	<u>42.3</u>	<u>12.1</u>	<u>55.0</u>
April (c)	30.0	48.3	4.1	5.1	53.4	43.9	9.6	54.9
May	29.8	47.5	3.4	5.5	53.1	44.2	10.4	54.6
PERSONS								
1983: May	74.3	90.0	10.8	12.6	102.6	54.6	12.3	65.3
1984: May	90.2	106.0	9.6	12.0	118.0	55.7	10.2	68.0
1985: March	84.2	99.4	10.6	11.7	111.0	65.1	10.5	63.1
April	87.7	101.8	8.9	11.5	113.4	69.9	10.2	61.8
May	88.6	106.2	10.0	11.4	117.6	69.6	9.7	62.8
1986: February	101.1	120.5	12.2	14.0	134.4	60.4	10.4	69.0
March	98.2	<u>121.9</u>	<u>10.2</u>	<u>13.1</u>	<u>134.9</u>	<u>58.2</u>	<u>9.7</u>	<u>69.9</u>
April (c)	102.4	124.9	9.2	10.5	135.4	60.4	7.8	69.2
May	98.4	119.6	8.3	11.2	130.8	60.9	8.5	68.2

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

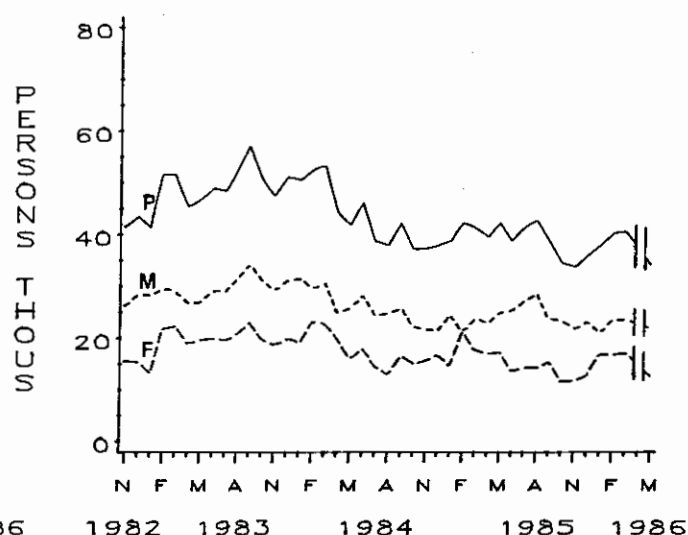
(b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 12: WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

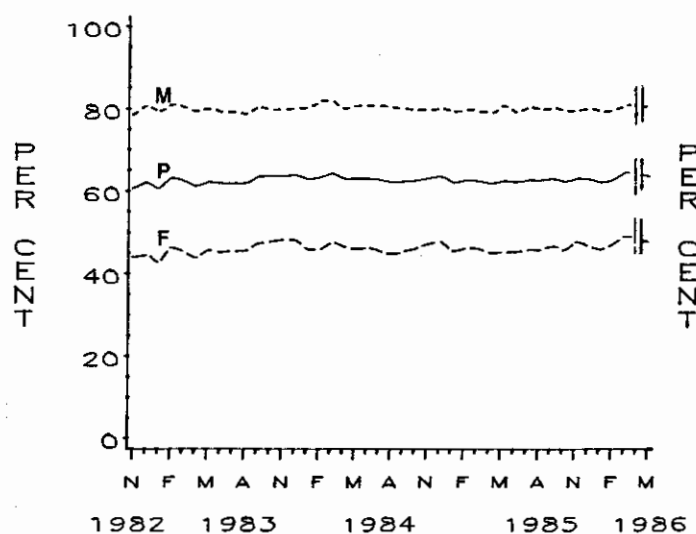
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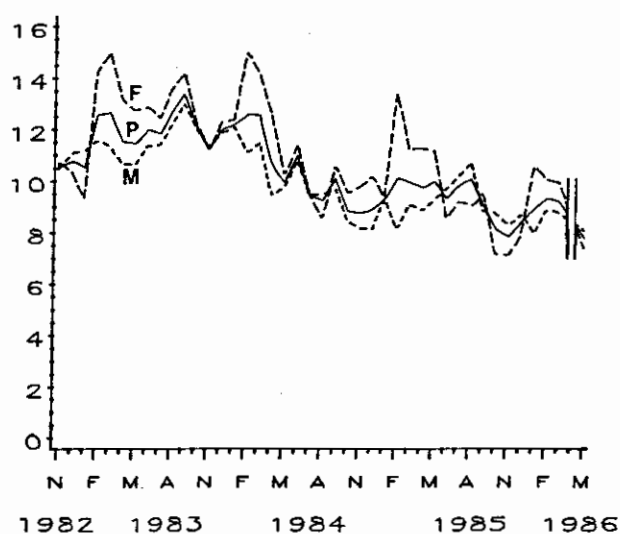
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 33,900 and the unemployment rate was 7.7 per cent. These estimates represented a significant decrease from the estimates in February 1986 of 40,200 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 9.3 per cent, and from the estimates in May 1985 of 42,200 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 10.0 per cent.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 405,000, which represented a significant increase on the estimates in February 1986 of 390,900 persons, and in May 1985 of 380,200 persons. A rise in the number of females employed (18,700) accounted for most of the increase between May 1985 and May 1986.

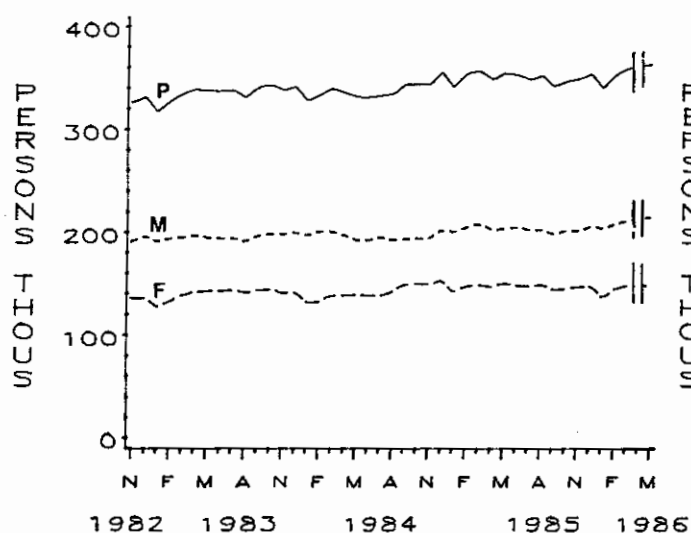
TABLE 19. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	214.9	227.6	25.7	27.0	254.6	62.5	10.6	80.3
1984: May	227.4	237.5	24.3	25.8	263.4	62.0	9.8	80.9
1985: March	227.5	237.0	22.2	23.6	260.6	68.6	9.1	79.2
April	225.3	234.1	22.5	22.7	256.8	69.0	8.8	78.8
May	230.3	242.1	23.6	24.9	267.0	63.2	9.3	80.9
1986: February	230.9	240.6	22.0	23.5	264.1	67.2	8.9	79.7
March	234.0	<u>246.3</u>	<u>22.1</u>	<u>23.4</u>	<u>269.7</u>	<u>62.5</u>	<u>8.7</u>	<u>81.2</u>
April (c)	231.6	244.8	21.1	23.1	267.8	67.4	8.6	79.9
May	235.2	248.2	19.9	21.6	269.8	67.1	8.0	80.1
FEMALES								
1983: May	95.7	135.6	14.9	19.7	155.3	183.1	12.7	45.9
1984: May	92.7	139.5	12.5	15.8	155.3	184.4	10.2	45.7
1985: March	94.1	138.1	14.9	17.5	155.6	183.0	11.2	46.0
April	90.8	132.7	13.0	16.7	149.4	184.9	11.2	44.7
May	93.3	138.1	13.5	17.2	155.4	186.7	11.1	45.4
1986: February	102.0	150.3	12.3	16.7	167.0	185.8	10.0	47.3
March	105.6	<u>156.9</u>	<u>11.8</u>	<u>17.2</u>	<u>174.1</u>	<u>178.6</u>	<u>9.9</u>	<u>49.3</u>
April (c)	102.6	158.6	11.0	16.0	174.5	182.0	9.1	49.0
May	102.7	156.8	8.7	12.4	169.2	187.6	7.3	47.4
PERSONS								
1983: May	310.6	363.2	40.6	46.8	410.0	245.6	11.4	62.5
1984: May	320.2	377.0	36.8	41.6	418.7	246.4	9.9	63.0
1985: March	321.6	375.1	37.0	41.1	416.2	251.7	9.9	62.3
April	316.2	366.8	35.5	39.4	406.3	253.9	9.7	61.5
May	323.6	380.2	37.1	42.2	422.4	249.9	10.0	62.8
1986: February	332.9	390.9	34.4	40.2	431.1	253.0	9.3	63.0
March	339.5	<u>403.2</u>	<u>33.9</u>	<u>40.6</u>	<u>443.8</u>	<u>241.2</u>	<u>9.1</u>	<u>64.8</u>
April (c)	334.2	403.3	32.1	39.0	442.4	249.4	8.8	63.9
May	338.0	405.0	28.6	33.9	438.9	254.7	7.7	63.3

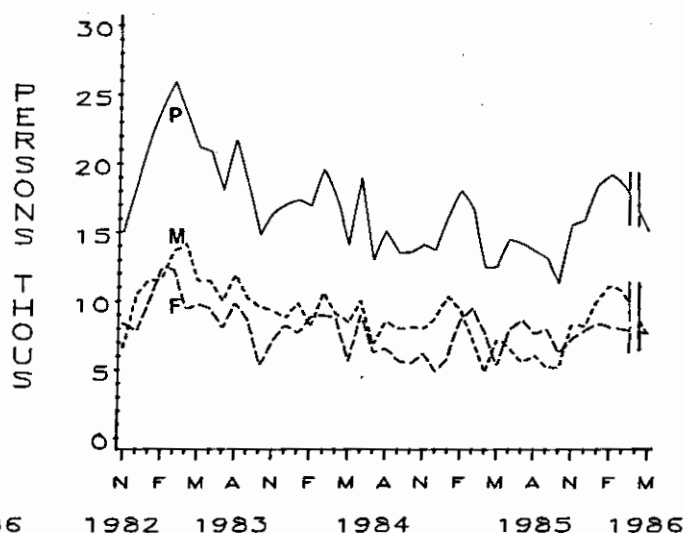
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 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 13: NORTHERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

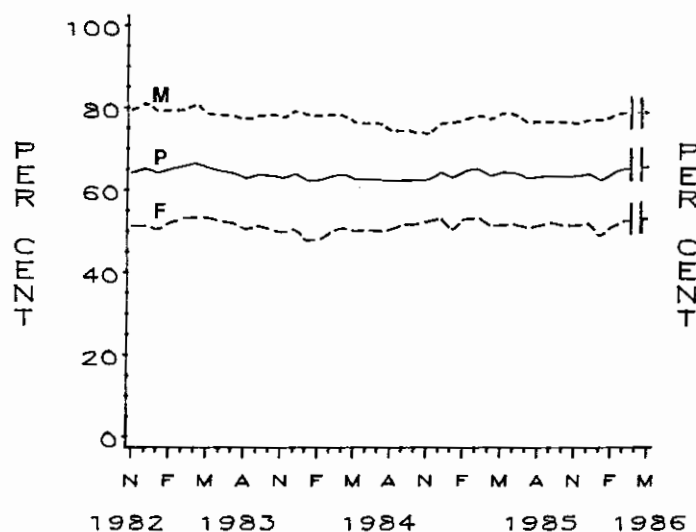
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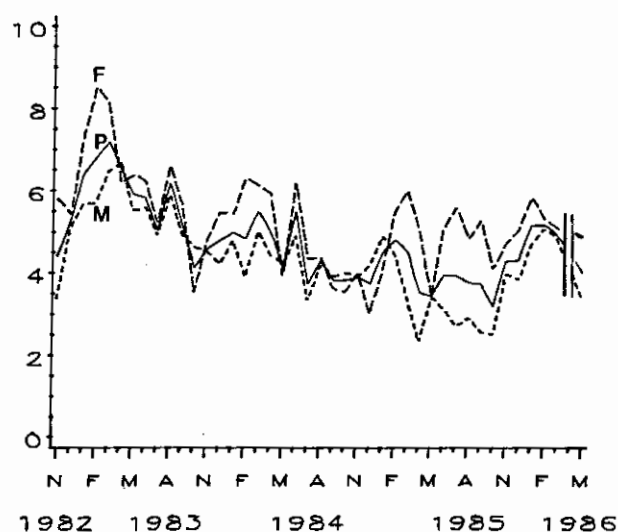
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PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of unemployed persons was 15,100 and the unemployment rate was 4.0 per cent. These estimates represented a significant decrease from the estimates in February 1986 of 19,200 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 5.2 per cent, but represented an apparent increase on those in May 1985 of 12,500 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 3.4 per cent. The number of unemployed males (7,500) in May 1986 was little different to the number of unemployed females (7,600). This region continued to record the lowest unemployment rate in New South Wales in every month.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 362,500, which represented an apparent increase on the estimate in February 1986 of 352,500 persons, but was little different to the estimate in May 1985 of 354,000 persons.

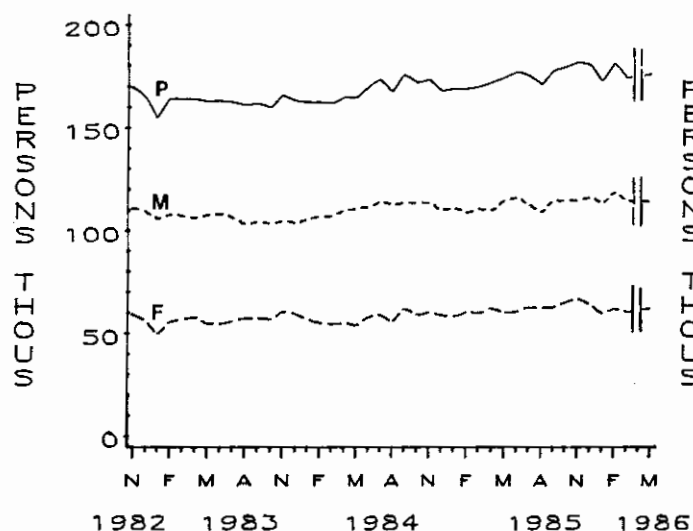
TABLE 20. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
NORTHERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	174.7	193.8	10.4	11.4	205.1	56.9	5.5	78.3
1984: May	175.5	191.4	7.3	8.4	199.8	62.6	4.2	76.1
1985: March	191.0	208.2	6.8	7.3	215.5	59.9	3.4	78.3
April	183.7	201.3	4.6	4.8	206.1	61.5	2.3	77.0
May	186.8	203.4	5.9	7.2	210.6	56.4	3.4	78.9
1986: February	197.8	208.0	9.4	11.2	219.2	61.1	5.1	78.2
March	194.7	<u>211.1</u>	<u>7.5</u>	<u>10.6</u>	<u>221.7</u>	<u>59.1</u>	<u>4.8</u>	<u>78.9</u>
April (c)	197.4	216.6	6.5	7.6	224.2	57.7	3.4	79.5
May	198.8	215.2	6.4	7.5	222.7	59.3	3.4	79.0
FEMALES								
1983: May	97.0	143.2	7.6	9.8	153.1	135.4	6.4	53.1
1984: May	91.5	139.4	3.9	5.6	145.1	146.9	3.9	49.7
1985: March	95.7	148.3	5.2	9.5	157.8	139.0	6.0	53.2
April	97.1	145.8	3.2	7.6	153.4	147.7	5.0	51.0
May	97.1	150.7	*	5.2	155.9	145.1	3.4	51.8
1986: February	96.0	144.5	4.8	8.0	152.6	144.7	5.3	51.3
March	92.0	<u>147.9</u>	<u>5.2</u>	<u>7.9</u>	<u>155.8</u>	<u>140.4</u>	<u>5.1</u>	<u>52.6</u>
April (c)	95.5	152.2	4.1	5.9	158.1	136.2	3.7	53.7
May	93.8	147.4	4.6	7.6	155.0	136.4	4.9	53.2
PERSONS								
1983: May	271.7	337.0	18.0	21.2	358.2	192.3	5.9	65.1
1984: May	267.0	330.8	11.1	14.0	344.8	209.5	4.1	62.2
1985: March	286.7	356.5	12.0	16.8	373.3	198.9	4.5	65.2
April	280.8	347.1	7.8	12.4	359.5	209.1	3.5	63.2
May	283.8	354.0	8.5	12.5	366.5	201.4	3.4	64.5
1986: February	293.8	352.5	14.3	19.2	<u>371.7</u>	205.8	5.2	64.4
March	286.7	<u>359.0</u>	<u>12.7</u>	<u>18.5</u>	<u>377.5</u>	<u>199.5</u>	<u>4.9</u>	<u>65.4</u>
April (c)	292.9	368.8	10.6	13.5	382.3	193.9	3.5	66.3
May	292.6	362.5	11.0	15.1	377.6	195.8	4.0	65.9

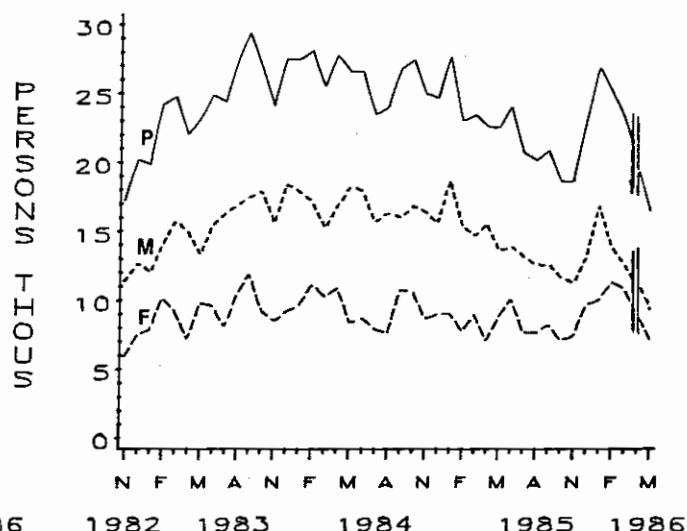
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 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 14: NEWCASTLE STATISTICAL DISTRICT

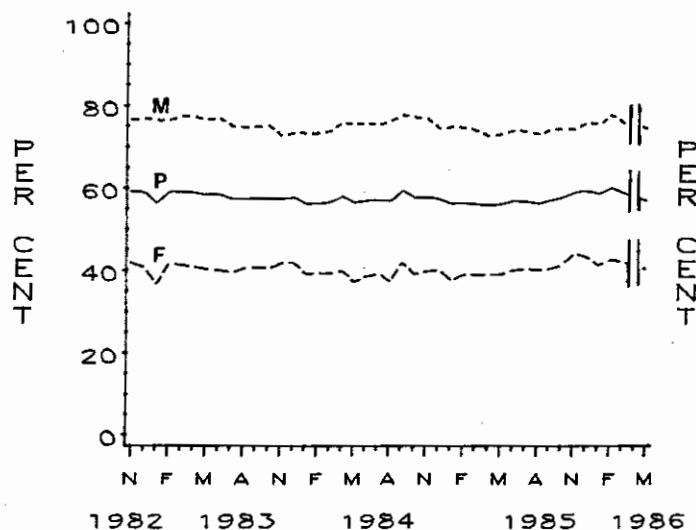
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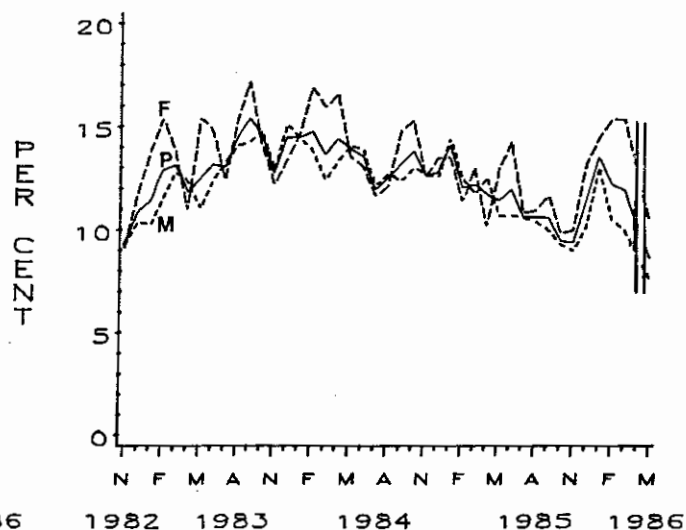
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 16,400 and the unemployment rate was 8.6 per cent. These estimates represented a significant decrease from the estimates in February 1986 of 25,000 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 12.2 per cent, and from the estimates in May 1985 of 22,400 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 11.4 per cent.
- The number of persons employed in May 1986 was 175,300, which represented an apparent decrease from the estimate in February 1986 of 180,500 persons, but was little different to the estimate in May 1985 of 173,700 persons.

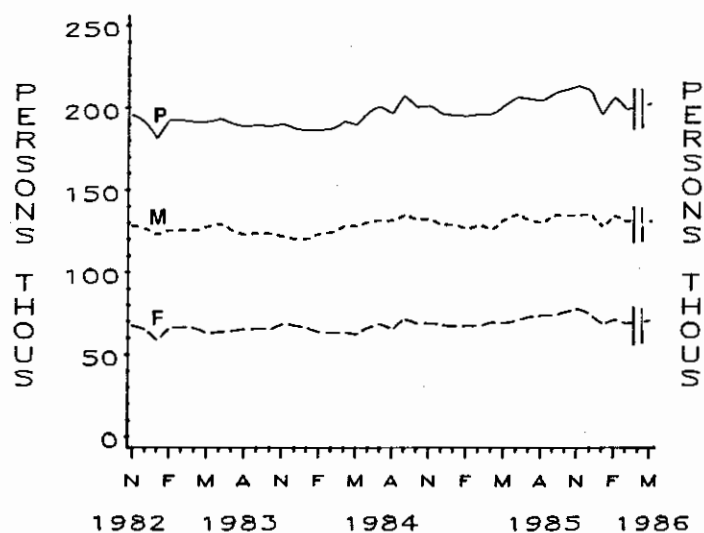
TABLE 21. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
NEWCASTLE STATISTICAL DISTRICT

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	101.7	107.9	12.9	13.3	121.2	37.6	11.0	76.3
1984: May	106.6	110.6	17.5	18.2	128.7	42.7	14.1	75.1
1985: March	105.0	110.4	14.6	14.6	125.0	44.2	11.7	73.9
April	103.8	109.0	14.8	15.5	124.5	47.4	12.5	72.4
May	109.0	114.4	13.3	13.5	127.9	46.6	10.6	73.3
1986: February	112.0	118.4	12.8	13.8	132.2	37.6	10.4	77.9
March	107.0	<u>113.6</u>	<u>11.7</u>	<u>12.5</u>	<u>126.2</u>	<u>40.7</u>	<u>9.9</u>	<u>75.6</u>
April (c)	108.8	115.8	10.1	10.3	126.1	45.5	8.2	73.5
May	106.5	113.2	8.4	9.3	122.5	42.3	7.6	74.3
FEMALES								
1983: May	35.0	54.2	7.7	9.8	64.0	95.8	15.4	40.1
1984: May	35.7	53.2	5.5	8.3	61.5	105.0	13.5	36.9
1985: March	37.2	59.1	6.5	8.9	68.0	107.9	13.0	38.7
April	38.0	62.4	5.9	7.0	69.4	108.4	10.1	39.0
May	37.6	59.3	7.0	8.8	68.1	106.3	13.0	39.1
1986: February	42.0	62.1	8.5	11.3	73.4	98.2	15.4	42.8
March	40.2	<u>59.6</u>	<u>8.0</u>	<u>10.8</u>	<u>70.4</u>	<u>98.2</u>	<u>15.3</u>	<u>41.7</u>
April (c)	40.0	61.0	8.3	10.7	71.8	104.0	14.9	40.8
May	38.5	62.1	5.3	7.1	69.3	103.4	10.3	40.1
PERSONS								
1983: May	136.7	162.1	20.6	23.1	185.2	133.4	12.5	58.1
1984: May	142.3	163.7	23.0	26.5	190.2	147.6	13.9	56.3
1985: March	142.3	169.5	21.1	23.4	193.0	152.1	12.2	55.9
April	141.8	171.4	20.7	22.5	193.9	155.8	11.6	55.5
May	146.6	173.7	20.3	22.4	196.0	152.9	11.4	56.2
1986: February	154.0	180.5	21.2	25.0	205.6	135.8	12.2	60.2
March	147.3	<u>173.3</u>	<u>19.7</u>	<u>23.3</u>	<u>196.5</u>	<u>138.9</u>	<u>11.8</u>	<u>58.6</u>
April (c)	148.9	176.8	18.3	21.0	197.9	149.5	10.6	57.0
May	145.0	175.3	13.7	16.4	191.7	145.7	8.6	56.8

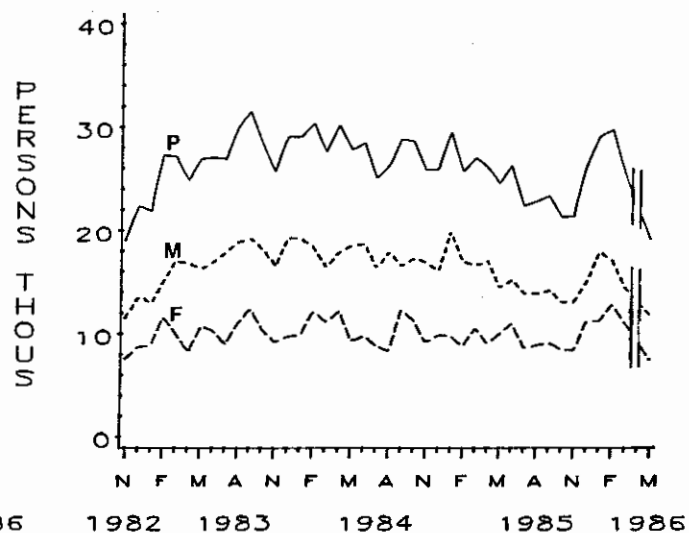
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 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 15: HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION

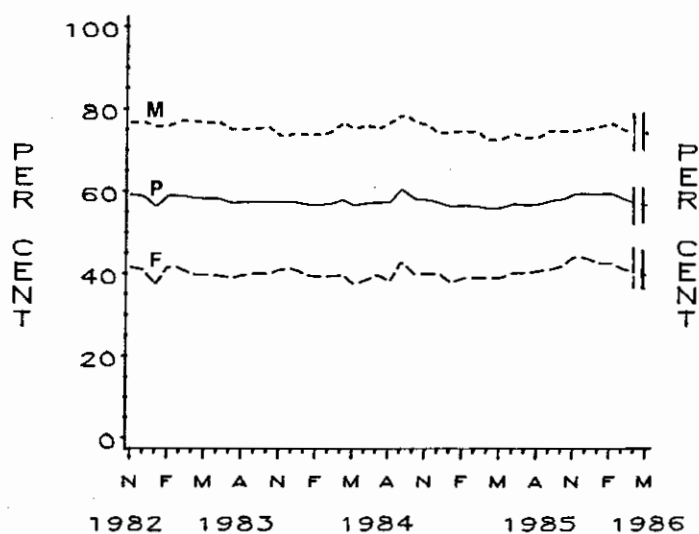
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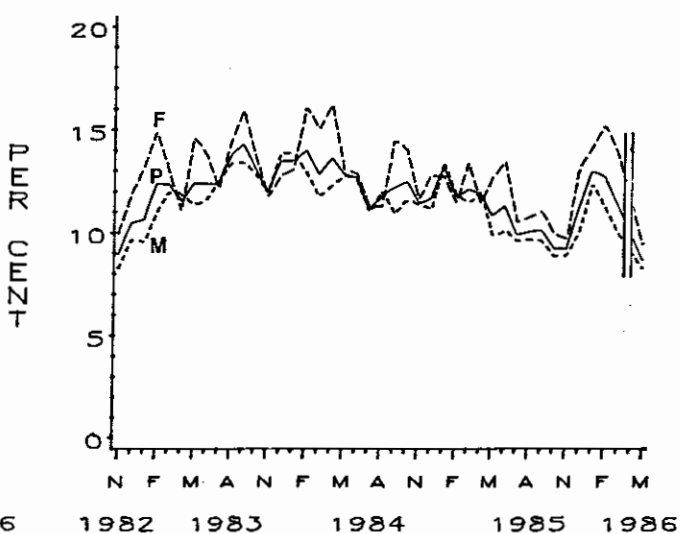
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of unemployed persons was 19,000 and the unemployment rate was 8.6 per cent. These estimates represented a significant decrease from the estimates in February 1986 of 29,800 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 12.6 per cent, and an apparent decrease from those in May 1985 of 24,500 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 10.8 per cent.
- In May 1986, the number of employed persons was 202,000, which was little different to the estimates in February 1986 of 205,900 persons and in May 1985 of 201,100 persons.

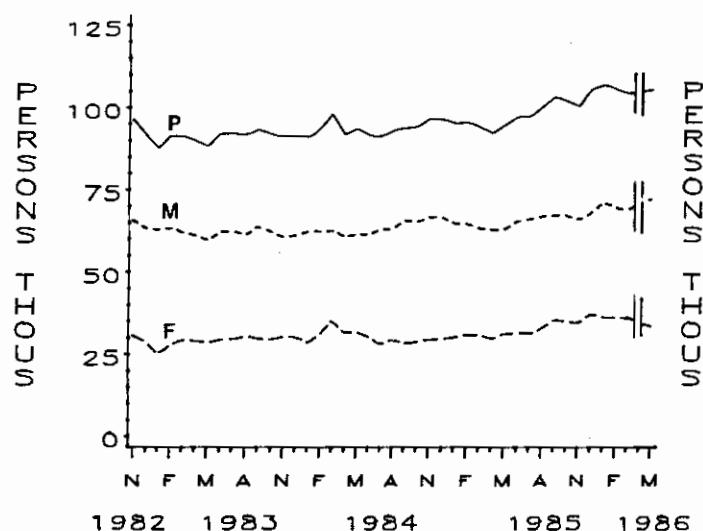
TABLE 22. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	119.6	128.0	15.8	16.2	144.2	45.0	11.3	76.2
1984: May	121.4	127.3	17.7	18.6	145.9	48.9	12.8	74.9
1985: March	122.9	128.9	16.5	16.5	145.4	50.3	11.4	74.3
April	119.3	125.4	16.4	17.1	142.5	54.8	12.0	72.2
May	125.8	132.3	14.2	14.4	146.8	54.7	9.8	72.9
1986: February	127.4	134.3	15.7	17.0	151.3	46.5	11.2	76.5
March	121.8	<u>130.2</u>	<u>13.6</u>	<u>14.4</u>	<u>144.6</u>	<u>49.2</u>	<u>10.0</u>	<u>74.6</u>
April (c)	123.2	131.9	12.3	12.6	144.5	53.0	8.7	73.2
May	123.2	130.9	10.8	11.7	142.6	50.6	8.2	73.8
FEMALES								
1983: May	40.6	62.7	8.4	10.7	73.4	113.1	14.6	39.4
1984: May	40.4	61.4	6.4	9.2	70.6	119.4	13.0	37.2
1985: March	42.6	67.4	7.7	10.5	77.9	122.7	13.4	38.8
April	42.8	70.2	6.8	9.0	79.2	123.8	11.4	39.0
May	43.1	68.7	7.9	10.0	78.7	122.6	12.7	39.1
1986: February	47.5	71.6	9.8	12.8	84.4	114.2	15.2	42.5
March	44.8	<u>68.2</u>	<u>8.2</u>	<u>11.0</u>	<u>79.1</u>	<u>114.8</u>	<u>13.9</u>	<u>40.8</u>
April (c)	44.8	70.4	8.7	11.2	81.5	120.6	13.7	40.3
May	42.1	71.0	5.3	7.4	78.4	121.0	9.4	39.3
PERSONS								
1983: May	160.3	190.7	24.2	26.9	217.6	158.0	12.4	57.9
1984: May	161.8	188.7	24.1	27.8	216.5	168.3	12.8	56.3
1985: March	165.5	196.3	24.2	27.0	223.3	173.0	12.1	56.4
April	162.0	195.6	23.2	26.1	221.7	178.6	11.8	55.4
May	168.9	201.1	22.1	24.5	225.5	177.2	10.8	56.0
1986: February	175.0	205.9	25.5	29.8	235.7	160.8	12.6	59.5
March	166.5	<u>198.4</u>	<u>21.8</u>	<u>25.4</u>	<u>223.8</u>	<u>164.1</u>	<u>11.4</u>	<u>57.7</u>
April (c)	168.0	202.3	21.1	23.7	226.0	173.6	10.5	56.6
May	165.3	202.0	16.1	19.0	221.0	171.7	8.6	56.3

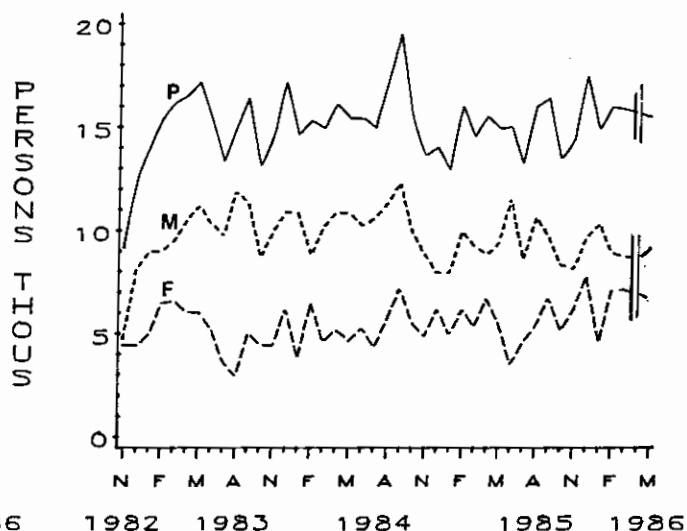
(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.
 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 16: WOLLONGONG STATISTICAL DISTRICT

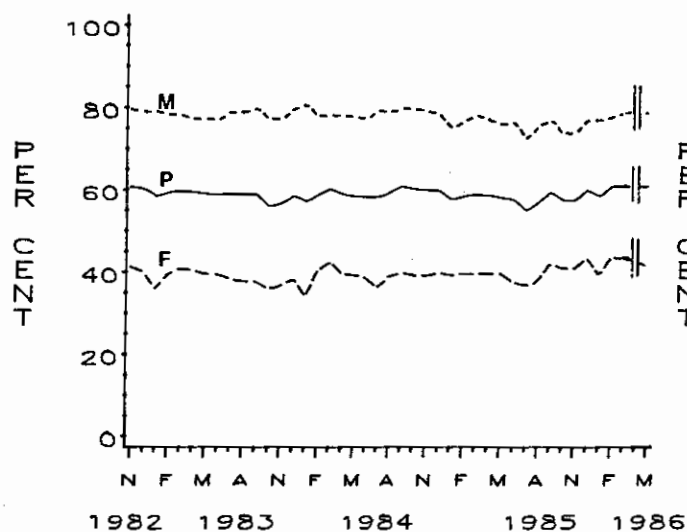
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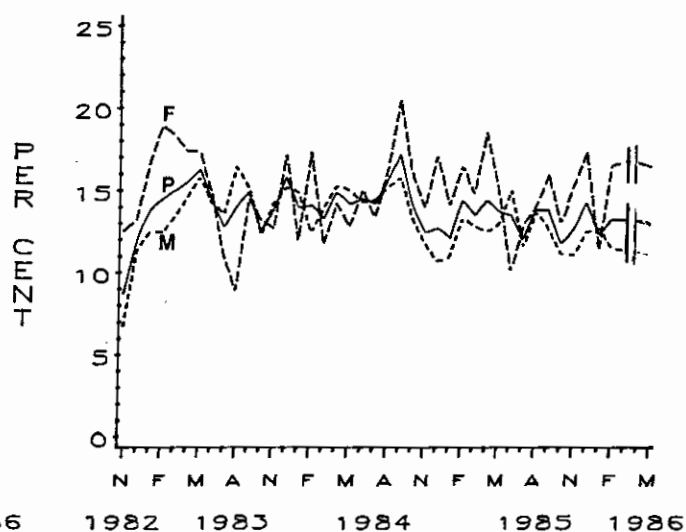
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 15,400 and the unemployment rate was 12.8 per cent. These estimates were little different to those in February 1986 of 16,000 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 13.2 per cent, and to those in May 1985 of 14,900 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 13.6 per cent. The Wollongong Statistical District continued to record one of the highest unemployment rates in New South Wales.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 105,300, which was little different to the estimate in February 1986 of 104,900 persons, but represented a significant increase on the estimate in May 1985 of 94,300 persons.

TABLE 23. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
WOLLONGONG STATISTICAL DISTRICT

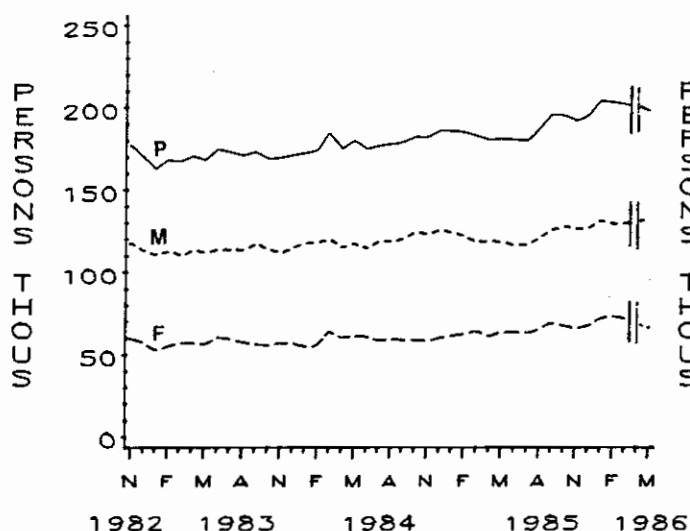
Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	55.7	59.5	10.5	11.2	70.7	20.8	15.8	77.3
1984: May	58.3	61.7	10.2	10.8	72.5	21.3	14.9	77.3
1985: March	59.0	63.0	8.8	9.2	72.2	20.2	12.7	78.2
April	58.9	62.4	8.6	8.8	71.3	21.5	12.4	76.8
May	60.5	62.9	9.2	9.4	72.3	23.3	13.0	75.6
1986: February	65.4	69.1	7.9	8.9	78.0	22.3	11.4	77.8
March	63.1	68.0	8.1	8.7	76.7	20.8	11.3	78.7
April (c)	65.8	70.7	9.8	9.8	80.4	23.4	12.2	77.5
May	67.3	72.2	9.0	9.0	81.2	22.0	11.0	78.7
FEMALES								
1983: May	18.2	28.5	4.2	6.0	34.5	53.5	17.3	39.2
1984: May	20.2	31.6	3.2	4.6	36.2	56.7	12.7	39.0
1985: March	18.6	30.6	4.8	5.3	35.8	54.9	14.7	39.5
April	18.5	29.4	5.4	6.7	36.0	54.9	18.5	39.6
May	21.6	31.4	5.4	5.4	36.8	56.7	14.8	39.4
1986: February	23.1	35.8	5.7	7.1	42.9	55.5	16.6	43.6
March	22.0	35.6	5.5	7.2	42.8	56.0	16.8	43.3
April (c)	22.1	35.5	3.5	4.8	40.3	58.2	11.9	40.9
May	20.6	33.0	4.3	6.5	39.5	56.6	16.3	41.1
PERSONS								
1983: May	73.9	88.0	14.7	17.2	105.2	74.2	16.3	58.6
1984: May	78.4	93.3	13.5	15.4	108.7	78.0	14.1	58.2
1985: March	77.6	93.6	13.5	14.5	108.1	75.1	13.4	59.0
April	77.5	91.8	14.0	15.5	107.3	76.4	14.4	58.4
May	82.1	94.3	14.6	14.9	109.1	80.0	13.6	57.7
1986: February	88.6	104.9	13.7	16.0	120.9	77.8	13.2	60.8
March	85.2	103.7	13.7	15.8	119.5	76.8	13.2	60.9
April (c)	87.9	106.1	13.3	14.6	120.7	81.6	12.1	59.7
May	87.9	105.3	13.3	15.4	120.7	78.6	12.8	60.6

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

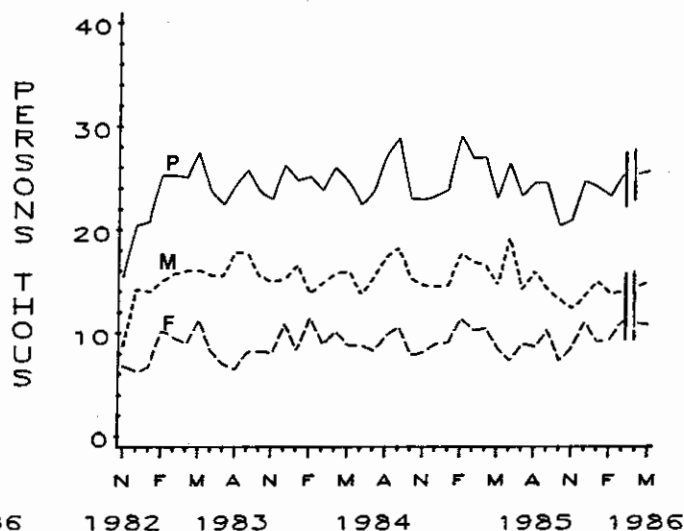
(b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 17: ILLAWARRA AND SOUTH-EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

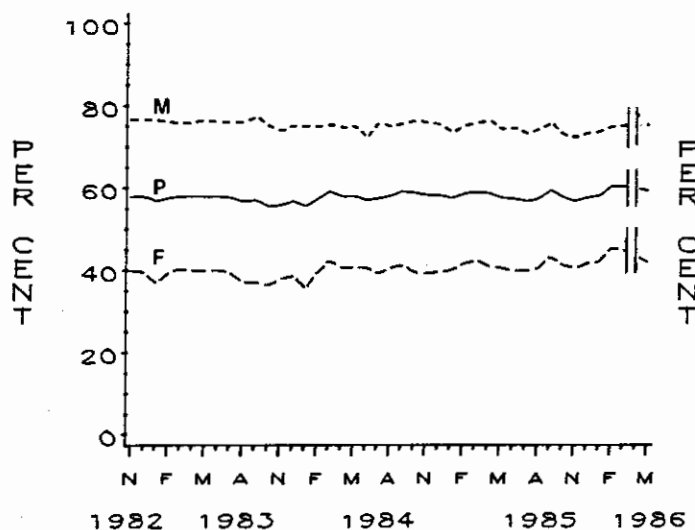
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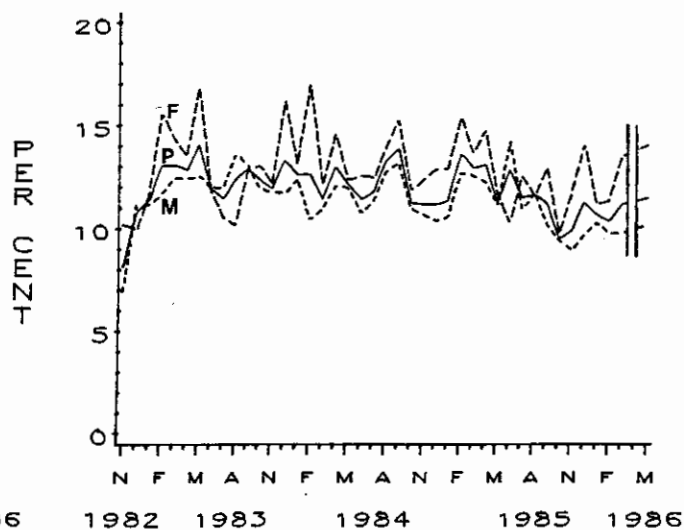
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Note: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 25,700 and the unemployment rate was 11.5 per cent. These estimates represented an apparent increase on those in February 1986 of 23,200 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 10.3 per cent, but were little different to the estimates in May 1985 of 23,000 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 11.2 per cent. This Division recorded one of the highest unemployment rates in New South Wales throughout the period from May 1985 to May 1986.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 197,300, which was little different to the estimate in February 1986 of 202,000 persons, but represented a significant increase on the estimate in May 1985 of 181,300 persons. A rise in the number of males employed (14,500) accounted for most of the increase between May 1985 and May 1986.

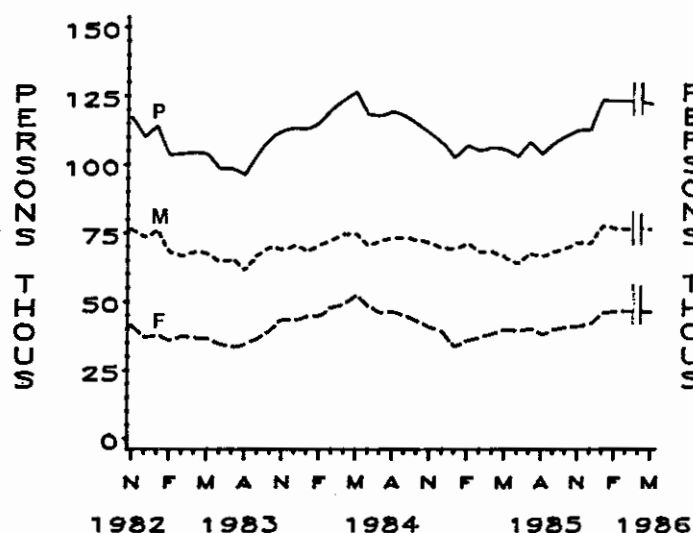
TABLE 24. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
ILLAWARRA AND SOUTH-EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	105.1	112.1	15.3	16.1	128.2	39.1	12.6	76.6
1984: May	110.7	117.8	15.2	16.0	133.8	43.9	11.9	75.3
1985: March	109.8	117.7	16.3	16.8	134.4	42.6	12.5	75.9
April	112.5	119.0	16.3	16.5	135.6	41.6	12.2	76.5
May	112.3	117.4	13.9	14.6	132.0	46.1	11.1	74.1
1986: February	122.1	128.6	12.6	13.8	142.4	47.4	9.7	75.0
March	121.3	129.8	13.6	14.1	143.9	47.0	9.8	75.4
April (c)	121.5	130.3	14.9	15.2	145.4	50.1	10.4	74.4
May	122.3	131.9	15.0	15.0	146.9	47.8	10.2	75.4
FEMALES								
1983: May	33.8	55.8	8.4	11.3	67.2	101.7	16.9	39.8
1984: May	38.3	62.1	6.9	8.7	70.8	102.6	12.3	40.8
1985: March	38.0	64.5	8.5	10.2	74.7	101.2	13.6	42.5
April	36.7	60.6	8.2	10.5	71.1	103.6	14.8	40.7
May	43.0	63.9	7.3	8.4	72.3	106.0	11.6	40.5
1986: February	45.0	73.4	7.8	9.4	82.9	99.1	11.4	45.5
March	42.9	71.4	8.1	11.2	82.6	102.4	13.5	44.6
April (c)	40.5	68.9	6.9	9.1	78.0	104.5	11.7	42.7
May	39.1	65.4	7.8	10.7	76.1	106.6	14.1	41.7
PERSONS								
1983: May	138.9	167.9	23.7	27.5	195.4	140.8	14.1	58.1
1984: May	149.0	179.9	22.1	24.7	204.6	146.5	12.1	58.3
1985: March	147.8	182.2	24.9	26.9	209.1	143.8	12.9	59.3
April	149.2	179.6	24.5	27.0	206.7	145.2	13.1	58.7
May	155.2	181.3	21.2	23.0	204.3	152.2	11.2	57.3
1986: February	167.0	202.0	20.5	23.2	225.3	146.5	10.3	60.6
March	164.2	201.2	21.7	25.3	226.4	149.4	11.2	60.2
April (c)	162.1	199.1	21.8	24.3	223.4	154.6	10.9	59.1
May	161.5	197.3	22.8	25.7	223.0	154.4	11.5	59.1

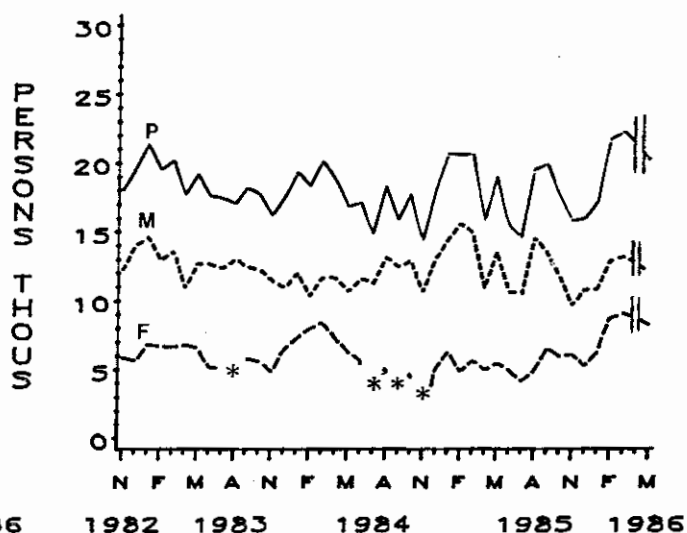
(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.
 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 18: RICHMOND-TWEED AND MID-NORTH COAST STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

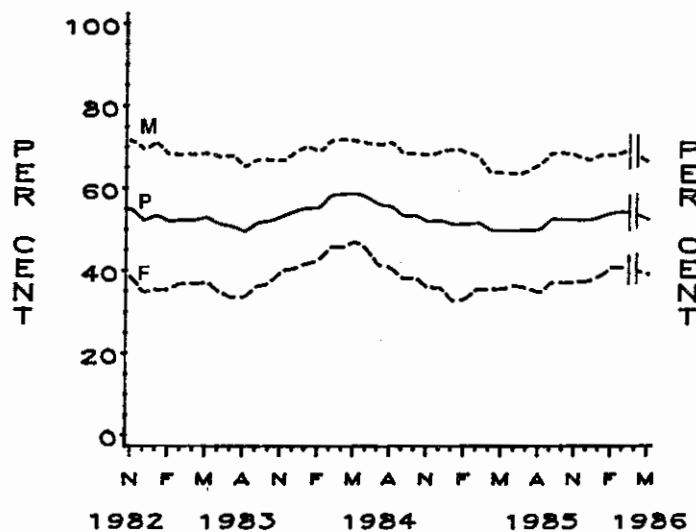
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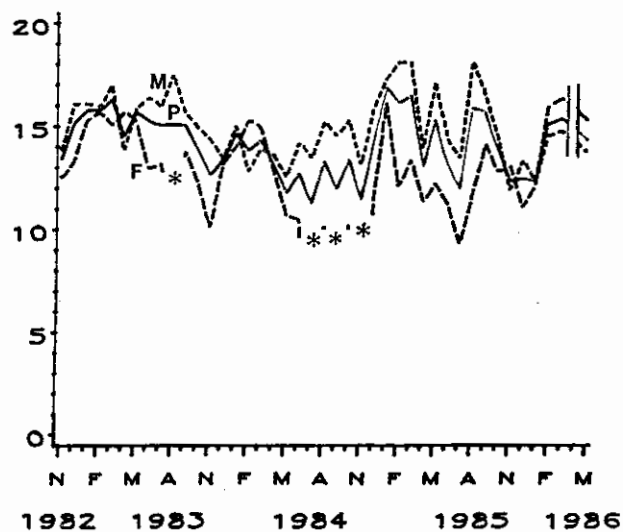
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Notes 1: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

2: An asterisk (*) indicates that the estimate for the period is subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 20,200 and the unemployment rate was 14.3 per cent. These estimates were little different to those in February 1986 of 21,700 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 15.1 per cent, and to those in May 1985 of 19,000 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 15.3 per cent. This region continued to record one of the highest unemployment rates in New South Wales.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 121,200, which was little different to the estimate in February 1986 of 122,200 persons, but represented a significant increase on the estimate in May 1985 of 105,100 persons.
- The participation rate in May 1986 was 52.3 per cent compared with a rate of 49.5 per cent in May 1985. The labour force participation rate for this region has continued to be the lowest in New South Wales.

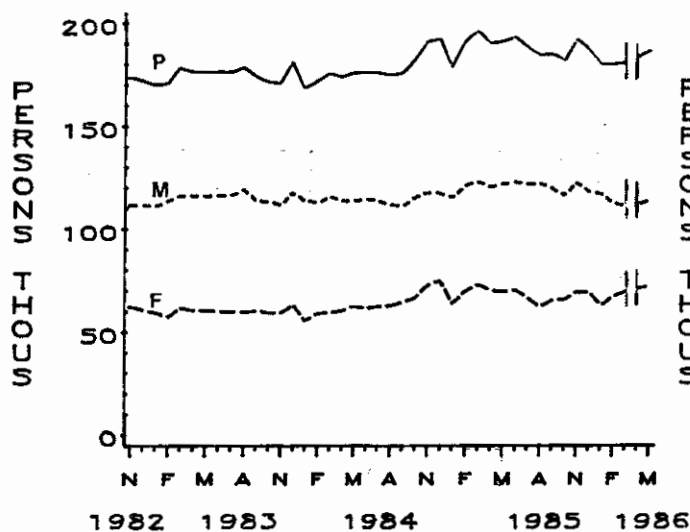
TABLE 25. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
RICHMOND-TWEED AND MID-NORTH COAST STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	61.6	67.2	12.7	12.7	79.9	36.6	15.9	68.6
1984: May	68.5	74.2	9.9	10.6	84.8	34.3	12.5	71.2
1985: March	60.1	67.6	14.7	14.9	82.5	39.7	18.1	67.5
April	60.9	67.7	10.7	10.9	78.7	45.3	13.9	63.5
May	59.5	65.5	12.5	13.5	79.0	45.2	17.1	63.6
1986: February	69.0	75.9	12.1	12.9	88.9	42.3	14.5	67.7
March	69.6	<u>76.3</u>	<u>13.2</u>	<u>13.2</u>	<u>89.5</u>	<u>40.0</u>	<u>14.7</u>	<u>69.1</u>
April (c)	67.2	74.6	12.2	13.0	87.6	40.6	14.8	68.3
May	66.7	75.7	11.8	12.0	87.7	44.8	13.7	66.2
FEMALES								
1983: May	20.6	36.2	5.4	6.5	42.7	72.1	15.2	37.2
1984: May	30.6	52.0	5.0	6.2	58.2	65.4	10.6	47.1
1985: March	21.7	36.8	*	5.7	42.5	76.5	13.4	35.7
April	23.8	38.2	*	4.9	43.0	78.4	11.3	35.4
May	25.3	39.7	4.6	5.5	45.2	81.4	12.2	35.7
1986: February	26.5	46.2	7.0	8.8	55.0	79.3	15.9	41.0
March	24.6	<u>46.3</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>9.0</u>	<u>55.4</u>	<u>80.7</u>	<u>16.3</u>	<u>40.7</u>
April (c)	25.0	48.0	7.1	9.6	57.6	74.4	16.6	43.6
May	27.7	45.6	7.1	8.2	53.7	84.4	15.2	38.9
PERSONS								
1983: May	82.2	103.4	18.1	19.2	122.6	108.7	15.7	53.0
1984: May	99.1	126.2	14.9	16.8	143.0	99.7	11.7	58.9
1985: March	81.8	104.4	18.4	20.6	125.0	116.2	16.5	51.8
April	84.7	105.9	14.5	15.8	121.7	123.7	13.0	49.6
May	84.9	105.1	17.1	19.0	124.1	126.6	15.3	49.5
1986: February	95.5	122.2	19.1	21.7	143.9	121.6	15.1	54.2
March	94.2	<u>122.7</u>	<u>20.0</u>	<u>22.2</u>	<u>144.9</u>	<u>120.7</u>	<u>15.4</u>	<u>54.6</u>
April (c)	92.2	122.6	19.3	22.6	145.2	115.0	15.5	55.8
May	94.4	121.2	18.9	20.2	141.4	129.1	14.3	52.3

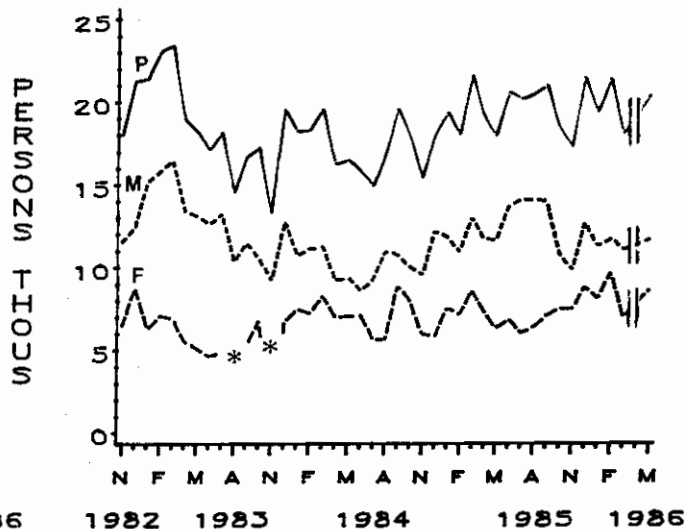
(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.
 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 19: NORTHERN, NORTH-WESTERN AND CENTRAL WEST STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

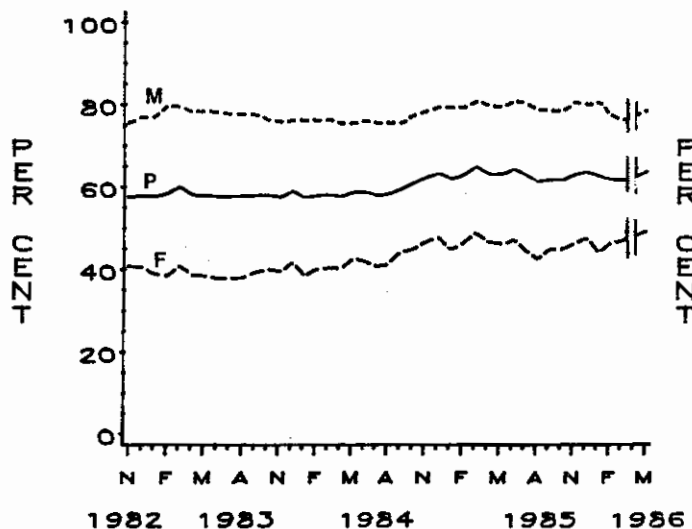
EMPLOYED PERSONS



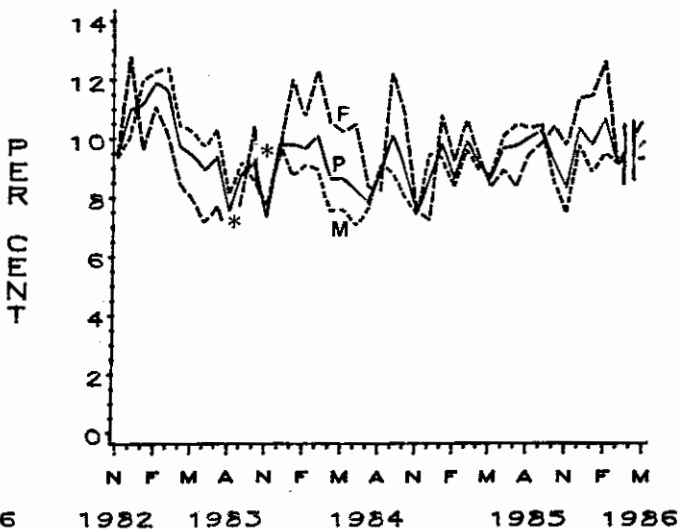
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS



PARTICIPATION RATE



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Notes 1: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

2: An asterisk (*) indicates that the estimate for the period is subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 20,300 and the unemployment rate was 9.8 per cent. These estimates were little different to those in February 1986 of 21,400 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 10.7 per cent, and to those in May 1985 of 17,900 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 8.6 per cent.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 186,100, which represented an apparent increase on the estimate in February 1986 of 179,200 persons, but was little different to the estimate in May 1985 of 190,500 persons.

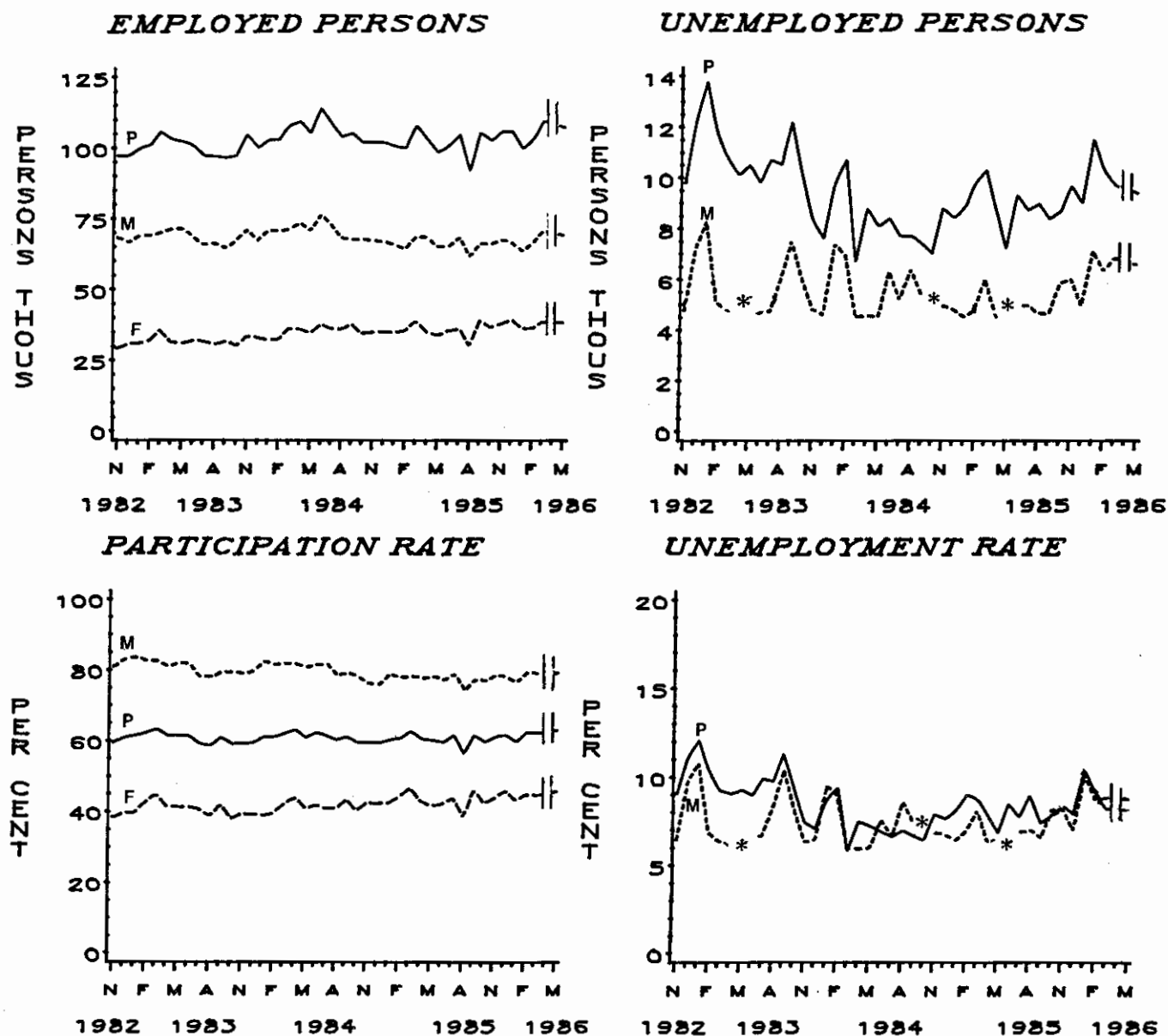
TABLE 26. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
NORTHERN, NORTH-WESTERN AND CENTRAL WEST STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	110.6	115.8	12.7	13.1	128.9	35.9	10.2	78.2
1984: May	106.4	113.4	9.1	9.4	122.8	40.0	7.6	75.4
1985: March	116.2	122.7	12.7	13.0	135.7	32.2	9.6	80.8
April	112.0	119.8	11.5	11.7	131.5	34.4	8.9	79.3
May	113.9	121.7	11.4	11.6	133.3	35.0	8.7	79.2
1986: February	106.5	112.0	11.5	11.7	123.7	36.9	9.5	77.0
March	106.0	<u>110.4</u>	<u>10.8</u>	<u>11.0</u>	<u>121.4</u>	<u>38.6</u>	<u>9.1</u>	<u>75.9</u>
April (c)	102.0	109.3	9.6	11.4	120.7	36.4	9.5	76.8
May	104.3	113.5	11.1	11.7	125.2	34.2	9.3	78.5
FEMALES								
1983: May	35.4	60.3	4.3	5.1	65.5	106.5	7.9	38.1
1984: May	33.6	62.6	6.2	7.1	69.8	94.6	10.2	42.5
1985: March	44.0	73.0	5.9	8.6	81.6	85.6	10.6	48.8
April	41.5	69.7	4.6	7.3	76.9	89.1	9.4	46.3
May	40.7	68.8	4.5	6.3	75.1	88.8	8.3	45.8
1986: February	39.9	67.3	8.2	9.7	77.0	89.1	12.6	46.4
March	44.4	<u>69.6</u>	<u>4.9</u>	<u>7.0</u>	<u>76.6</u>	<u>86.5</u>	<u>9.1</u>	<u>47.0</u>
April (c)	42.6	71.6	5.5	7.4	79.0	86.1	9.4	47.8
May	43.4	72.6	6.4	8.6	81.2	83.0	10.6	49.5
PERSONS								
1983: May	146.0	176.1	16.9	18.2	194.4	142.4	9.4	57.7
1984: May	140.0	176.0	15.4	16.5	192.6	134.6	8.6	58.9
1985: March	160.1	195.7	18.7	21.6	217.4	117.7	9.9	64.9
April	153.5	189.5	16.1	19.0	208.5	123.5	9.1	62.8
May	154.5	190.5	15.9	17.9	208.3	123.8	8.6	62.7
1986: February	146.5	179.2	19.6	21.4	200.6	126.0	10.7	61.4
March	150.4	<u>180.0</u>	<u>15.6</u>	<u>18.0</u>	<u>198.0</u>	<u>125.0</u>	<u>9.1</u>	<u>61.3</u>
April (c)	144.6	180.9	15.2	18.8	199.7	122.5	9.4	62.0
May	147.6	186.1	17.4	20.3	206.4	117.2	9.8	63.8

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

(b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

DIAGRAM 20: MURRAY AND MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISIONS



Notes 1: Estimates following the break in lines are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

2: An asterisk (*) indicates that the estimate for the period is subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- In May 1986, the number of persons unemployed was 9,300 and the unemployment rate was 8.0 per cent. These estimates were little different to those in February 1986 of 10,300 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 9.1 per cent, and to those in May 1985 of 7,200 unemployed persons and an unemployment rate of 6.8 per cent. In most months, this region recorded the lowest unemployment rate outside the Sydney Statistical Division.
- The number of employed persons in May 1986 was 106,800, which was little different to the estimate in February 1986 of 102,700 persons, but represented an apparent increase on the estimate in May 1985 of 98,200 persons.

TABLE 27. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER,
MURRAY AND MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Month	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Unemp- loyment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Full- time workers ('000)	Total ('000)	Looking for full- time work ('000)	Total ('000)				
MALES								
1983: May	66.1	71.4	*	*	75.4	16.3	*	82.2
1984: May	67.1	70.5	*	4.5	75.1	18.0	6.0	80.6
1985: March	63.3	68.6	5.6	6.0	74.7	20.6	8.1	78.4
April	64.1	68.0	*	4.6	72.6	21.2	6.3	77.4
May	62.1	64.8	*	*	69.2	19.1	*	78.3
1986: February	64.5	66.4	5.5	6.3	72.8	18.7	8.7	79.5
March	67.1	<u>70.5</u>	<u>6.5</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>77.4</u>	<u>20.7</u>	<u>8.8</u>	<u>78.9</u>
April (c)	63.4	68.4	6.6	7.4	75.9	18.3	9.8	80.6
May	64.1	68.7	6.5	6.5	75.3	19.4	8.7	79.5
FEMALES								
1983: May	19.9	30.9	5.8	6.5	37.4	53.6	17.4	41.1
1984: May	16.6	34.5	*	*	38.0	55.2	*	40.8
1985: March	22.4	38.9	*	*	43.2	49.4	*	46.7
April	19.3	34.7	*	*	38.8	52.1	*	42.7
May	19.0	33.5	*	*	36.3	51.6	*	41.3
1986: February	18.6	36.3	*	*	40.2	48.8	*	45.2
March	18.3	<u>38.7</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>41.5</u>	<u>52.2</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>44.3</u>
April (c)	19.3	39.5	*	*	41.4	49.1	*	45.8
May	20.0	38.0	*	*	40.8	47.8	*	46.1
PERSONS								
1983: May	86.0	102.2	9.6	10.5	112.8	69.9	9.3	61.7
1984: May	83.6	105.0	6.5	8.1	113.1	73.2	7.2	60.7
1985: March	85.7	107.6	8.4	10.3	117.9	69.9	8.7	62.8
April	83.3	102.7	7.3	8.7	111.4	73.3	7.8	60.3
May	81.1	98.2	6.0	7.2	105.4	70.7	6.8	59.9
1986: February	83.0	102.7	8.2	10.3	113.0	67.6	9.1	62.6
March	85.4	<u>109.2</u>	<u>8.4</u>	<u>9.7</u>	<u>118.9</u>	<u>72.9</u>	<u>8.1</u>	<u>62.0</u>
April (c)	82.7	107.9	7.5	9.4	117.3	67.4	8.0	63.5
May	84.1	106.8	8.2	9.3	116.1	67.3	8.0	63.3

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.
 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group. (c) Estimates from April 1986 are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

TABLE 28. EMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, CENTRAL SYDNEY, INNER WESTERN SYDNEY AND SOUTHERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)			
	Persons		Males	Females	Persons	
	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number (¹ 000)	Number (¹ 000)	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -						
Married	332.9	56.5	195.7	127.5	323.2	54.7
Not married	255.8	43.5	145.8	121.3	267.1	45.3
Age (years) -						
15-19	39.8	6.8	20.3	22.8	43.1	7.3
20-24	85.6	14.5	42.9	42.4	85.3	14.5
25-34	163.1	27.7	95.6	71.4	167.1	28.3
35-44	135.9	23.1	80.4	57.3	137.8	23.3
45-54	99.4	16.9	53.9	36.9	90.8	15.4
55-59	37.3	6.3	27.6	12.2	39.8	6.7
60-64	18.8	3.2	16.2	4.9	21.1	3.6
65 and over	8.8	1.5	4.5	*	5.4	0.9
Birthplace -						
Australia	357.4	60.7	204.9	165.6	370.5	62.8
Main English speaking countries (b)	76.1	12.9	35.9	26.0	61.9	10.5
Other countries	155.1	26.4	100.7	57.2	157.8	26.7
Full-time and part-time status -						
Full-time	499.8	84.9	319.3	180.8	500.1	84.7
Part-time	88.8	15.1	22.2	68.0	90.2	15.3
Status of worker (c) -						
Wage and salary earners	526.6	89.5	298.8	230.3	529.1	89.6
Employers and self-employed	61.4	10.4	41.8	16.9	58.8	10.0
Industry division -						
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	*	*	*	*	*	*
Manufacturing	118.6	20.1	83.7	36.0	119.7	20.3
Construction	35.0	5.9	23.8	*	25.9	4.4
Wholesale and retail trade	114.3	19.4	64.1	46.2	110.3	18.7
Transport and storage	47.5	8.1	35.4	12.3	47.8	8.1
Finance, etc.	74.8	12.7	39.2	44.8	84.0	14.2
Community services (d)	97.3	16.5	35.0	66.6	101.6	17.2
Other industries (e)	100.1	17.0	59.3	40.1	99.4	16.8
Major occupation group -						
Professional, technical, etc.	97.8	16.6	50.4	49.7	100.1	17.0
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	190.9	32.4	72.3	112.9	185.2	31.4
Sales	51.3	8.7	20.0	24.7	44.7	7.6
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, miners, etc.	5.1	0.9	4.6	*	5.5	0.9
Transport and communication	30.9	5.2	25.3	*	28.9	4.9
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	158.2	26.9	137.9	23.1	161.0	27.3
Service, sport and recreation	54.4	9.2	30.9	34.1	65.0	11.0
Total employed	588.6	100.0	341.5	248.8	590.3	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) Comprises United Kingdom, Ireland, United States of America, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand.

(c) Excludes unpaid family helpers. (d) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and Religious and Social Welfare Services.

(e) Comprises Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services.

TABLE 29. EMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, WESTERN SYDNEY
AND SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)			
	Persons		Males	Females	Persons	
	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number (¹ 000)	Number (¹ 000)	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -						
Married	321.4	66.1	221.6	128.4	350.0	66.7
Not married	165.0	33.9	98.6	76.0	174.6	33.3
Age (years) -						
15-19	51.0	10.5	26.5	25.6	52.0	9.9
20-24	69.0	14.2	37.5	32.7	70.2	13.4
25-34	131.6	27.1	87.7	55.2	142.8	27.2
35-44	125.2	25.7	86.0	53.1	139.2	26.5
45-54	72.8	15.0	52.7	28.1	80.8	15.4
55-59	25.3	5.2	19.3	6.3	25.6	4.9
60-64	8.3	1.7	9.5	*	11.8	2.2
65 and over	*	*	*	*	*	*
Birthplace -						
Australia	330.5	68.0	208.7	144.4	353.1	67.3
Main English speaking countries (b)	57.1	11.7	38.5	22.8	61.3	11.7
Other countries	98.8	20.3	73.0	37.2	110.2	21.0
Full-time and part-time status -						
Full-time	412.2	84.7	303.8	132.5	436.3	83.2
Part-time	74.2	15.3	16.4	71.8	88.3	16.8
Status of worker (c) -						
Wage and salary earners	430.6	88.5	286.2	189.6	475.8	90.7
Employers and self-employed	54.3	11.2	33.4	12.9	46.3	8.8
Industry division -						
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	9.5	2.0	6.4	5.3	11.6	2.2
Manufacturing	109.0	22.4	89.7	32.3	121.9	23.2
Construction	38.8	8.0	37.2	5.8	43.0	8.2
Wholesale and retail trade	110.5	22.7	69.5	55.4	124.8	23.8
Transport and storage	28.2	5.8	18.1	*	21.1	4.0
Finance, etc.	52.1	10.7	26.1	28.0	54.1	10.3
Community services (d)	69.7	14.3	24.8	48.2	73.1	13.9
Other industries (e)	68.6	14.1	48.5	26.4	74.9	14.3
Major occupation group -						
Professional, technical, etc.	59.1	12.2	38.6	29.6	68.2	13.0
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	137.9	28.3	59.1	92.1	151.2	28.8
Sales	46.1	9.5	23.8	25.1	49.0	9.3
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, miners, etc.	12.0	2.5	12.2	4.4	16.6	3.2
Transport and communication	24.6	5.1	22.4	3.7	26.1	5.0
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	169.6	34.9	146.1	23.0	169.1	32.2
Service, sport and recreation	37.2	7.6	18.1	26.3	44.4	8.5
Total employed	486.4	100.0	320.3	204.3	524.6	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) Comprises United Kingdom, Ireland, United States of America, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand.

(c) Excludes unpaid family helpers. (d) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and

Religious and Social Welfare Services. (e) Comprises Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services.

TABLE 30. EMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, NORTHERN SYDNEY
AND GOSFORD-WYONG SUBDIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)			
	Persons		Males	Females	Persons	
	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number (¹ 000)	Number (¹ 000)	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -						
Married	238.9	57.8	158.3	101.2	259.5	60.1
Not married	174.6	42.2	100.0	72.2	172.1	39.9
Age (years) -						
15-19	36.5	8.8	23.6	16.4	40.0	9.3
20-24	54.5	13.2	32.2	26.0	58.2	13.5
25-34	102.4	24.8	62.6	47.5	110.1	25.5
35-44	102.8	24.9	61.4	43.0	104.4	24.2
45-54	66.5	16.1	48.2	28.2	76.4	17.7
55-59	27.1	6.6	16.9	7.1	24.0	5.6
60-64	16.9	4.1	8.3	*	10.7	2.5
65 and over	6.8	1.6	5.2	*	7.8	1.8
Birthplace -						
Australia	309.0	74.7	188.4	129.6	318.0	73.7
Main English speaking countries (b)	56.0	13.5	37.5	23.9	61.4	14.2
Other countries	48.4	11.7	32.4	19.9	52.3	12.1
Full-time and part-time status -						
Full-time	333.3	80.6	240.4	109.6	350.0	81.1
Part-time	80.2	19.4	17.8	63.7	81.6	18.9
Status of worker (c) -						
Wage and salary earners	362.5	87.7	222.9	159.6	382.5	88.6
Employers and self-employed	50.1	12.1	33.7	12.2	46.0	10.7
Industry division -						
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	4.2	1.0	*	*	*	*
Manufacturing	50.6	12.2	42.5	15.0	57.5	13.3
Construction	30.2	7.3	26.1	4.5	30.6	7.1
Wholesale and retail trade	91.0	22.0	54.4	42.7	97.1	22.5
Transport and storage	20.0	4.8	16.5	3.7	20.2	4.7
Finance, etc.	77.1	18.7	44.0	29.4	73.5	17.0
Community services (d)	75.3	18.2	30.3	47.0	77.4	17.9
Other Industries (e)	65.1	15.7	42.9	30.1	73.0	16.9
Major occupation group -						
Professional, technical, etc.	93.2	22.5	53.9	38.5	92.4	21.4
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	151.8	36.7	71.8	81.0	152.7	35.4
Sales	37.4	9.1	18.3	22.2	40.5	9.4
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, miners, etc.	7.2	1.7	6.2	*	7.7	1.8
Transport and communication	14.6	3.5	14.1	*	15.8	3.7
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	74.2	17.9	78.4	7.9	86.3	20.0
Service, sport and recreation	35.0	8.5	15.6	20.5	36.1	8.4
Total employed	413.5	100.0	258.2	173.4	431.6	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) Comprises United Kingdom, Ireland, United States of America, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand.

(c) Excludes unpaid family helpers. (d) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and Religious and Social Welfare Services. (e) Comprises Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services.

TABLE 31. EMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, HUNTER, ILLAWARRA, RICHMOND-TWEED,
MID-NORTH COAST AND SOUTH-EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)			
	Persons		Males	Females	Persons	
	Number ('000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number ('000)	Number ('000)	Number ('000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -						
Married	315.8	64.8	228.6	119.6	348.3	66.9
Not married	171.8	35.2	109.9	62.4	172.3	33.1
Age (years) -						
15-19	47.6	9.8	26.4	21.2	47.7	9.2
20-24	69.3	14.2	45.2	25.1	70.3	13.5
25-34	127.7	26.2	89.2	50.1	139.2	26.7
35-44	124.1	25.5	84.3	46.1	130.4	25.0
45-54	79.2	16.2	53.2	30.1	83.3	16.0
55-59	22.6	4.6	23.4	5.7	29.1	5.6
60-64	12.8	2.6	11.3	*	13.9	2.7
65 and over	4.3	0.9	5.4	*	6.6	1.3
Birthplace -						
Australia	417.9	85.7	280.0	154.9	434.9	83.5
Main English speaking countries (b)	36.5	7.5	26.8	14.3	41.1	7.9
Other countries	33.2	6.8	31.7	12.9	44.6	8.6
Full-time and part-time status -						
Full-time	409.0	83.9	312.2	109.0	421.2	80.9
Part-time	78.6	16.1	26.3	73.0	99.3	19.1
Status of worker (c) -						
Wage and salary earners	402.5	82.5	275.5	152.7	428.2	82.3
Employers and self-employed	84.1	17.3	59.3	23.7	83.0	15.9
Industry division -						
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	34.7	7.1	27.2	8.3	35.5	6.8
Manufacturing	96.8	19.8	74.5	18.7	93.2	17.9
Construction	32.0	6.6	37.1	5.1	42.2	8.1
Wholesale and retail trade	100.2	20.5	58.9	47.6	106.6	20.5
Transport and storage	29.0	6.0	22.6	*	25.1	4.8
Finance, etc.	30.4	6.2	19.4	17.3	36.7	7.1
Community services (d)	74.6	15.3	27.8	48.8	76.6	14.7
Other industries (e)	89.8	18.4	71.0	33.6	104.6	20.1
Major occupation group -						
Professional, technical, etc.	57.6	11.8	31.1	31.6	62.8	12.1
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	95.5	19.6	51.0	61.6	112.5	21.6
Sales	45.7	9.4	20.8	28.8	49.6	9.5
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, miners, etc.	48.4	9.9	39.6	8.8	48.4	9.3
Transport and communication	32.9	6.7	24.5	*	27.0	5.2
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	162.5	33.3	150.0	13.7	163.8	31.5
Service, sport and recreation	45.0	9.2	21.5	35.0	56.6	10.9
Total employed	487.6	100.0	338.5	182.0	520.6	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) Comprises United Kingdom, Ireland, United States of America, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand.

(c) Excludes unpaid family helpers. (d) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and

Religious and Social Welfare Services. (e) Comprises Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services.

TABLE 32. EMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, NORTHERN, NORTH-WESTERN, CENTRAL WEST, MURRAY AND MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)			
	Persons		Males	Females	Persons	
	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number (¹ 000)	Number (¹ 000)	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -						
Married	200.0	69.3	121.7	74.3	195.9	66.9
Not married	88.7	30.7	60.6	36.4	97.0	33.1
Age (years) -						
15-19	23.8	8.2	19.3	13.8	33.1	11.3
20-24	35.4	12.3	22.3	16.5	38.8	13.3
25-34	73.5	25.5	45.8	26.3	72.0	24.6
35-44	67.3	23.3	38.2	26.7	64.9	22.2
45-54	51.7	17.9	33.0	19.2	52.3	17.8
55-59	19.2	6.6	10.8	*	14.8	5.1
60-64	9.3	3.2	6.8	*	8.9	3.0
65 and over	8.7	3.0	6.0	*	8.2	2.8
Birthplace -						
Australia	269.2	93.2	171.7	103.6	275.2	94.0
Main English speaking countries (b)	10.2	3.5	6.0	*	9.7	3.3
Other countries	9.3	3.2	4.6	*	7.9	2.7
Full-time and part-time status -						
Full-time	235.6	81.6	168.3	63.4	231.7	79.1
Part-time	53.1	18.4	14.0	47.3	61.2	20.9
Status of worker (c) -						
Wage and salary earners	207.4	71.8	120.9	80.8	201.8	68.9
Employers and self-employed	78.6	27.2	57.2	24.7	81.9	27.9
Industry division -						
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	61.8	21.4	52.8	19.2	72.1	24.6
Manufacturing	28.9	10.0	19.4	4.7	24.1	8.2
Construction	21.3	7.4	16.0	*	17.6	6.0
Wholesale and retail trade	57.5	19.9	32.5	23.0	55.5	18.9
Transport and storage	16.9	5.9	14.9	*	17.8	6.1
Finance, etc.	15.2	5.3	9.0	12.2	21.2	7.2
Community services (d)	37.7	13.1	12.0	28.1	40.1	13.7
Other Industries (e)	49.3	17.1	25.8	18.8	44.6	15.2
Major occupation group -						
Professional, technical, etc.	29.0	10.0	13.2	17.2	30.5	10.4
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	55.6	19.3	18.8	32.7	51.5	17.6
Sales	22.8	7.9	11.6	12.9	24.5	8.4
Farmers, fishermen, timber-getters, miners, etc.	65.5	22.7	55.1	17.4	72.5	24.7
Transport and communication	15.4	5.3	14.4	*	17.4	5.9
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	71.0	24.6	61.1	4.8	66.0	22.5
Service, sport and recreation	29.4	10.2	8.0	22.6	30.6	10.4
Total employed	288.7	100.0	182.3	110.6	292.9	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) Comprises United Kingdom, Ireland, United States of America, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand.

(c) Excludes unpaid family helpers. (d) Includes Education, Health Services, Law and Order, and Religious and Social Welfare Services. (e) Comprises Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Communication, Public Administration and Defence, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services.

TABLE 33. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, CENTRAL SYDNEY, INNER WESTERN SYDNEY AND SOUTHERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)	
	Persons		Persons	
	Number (1'000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number (1'000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -				
Married	20.1	35.4	17.8	37.2
Not married	36.6	64.6	30.0	62.8
Age (years) -				
15-24	23.4	41.2	15.9	33.2
25-34	16.9	29.8	13.7	28.7
35-44	7.3	12.9	10.3	21.5
45 and over	9.1	16.0	7.9	16.5
Birthplace -				
Australia	29.5	52.0	22.6	47.2
Main English speaking countries (b)	4.6	8.1	4.5	9.4
Other countries	22.6	39.9	20.8	43.4
Full-time and part-time status -				
Looking for full-time work	48.8	86.0	39.0	81.5
Looking for part-time work	7.9	14.0	8.9	18.5
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -				
Under 13	18.5	32.7	15.5	32.4
13 and under 39	17.2	30.3	13.7	28.7
39 and under 104	9.2	16.2	8.7	18.1
104 and over	11.8	20.8	9.9	20.8
Had worked for 2 weeks or more in a full-time job in the last 2 years	27.9	49.2	23.1	48.2
Industry division -				
Manufacturing	7.8	13.7	6.8	14.1
Wholesale and retail trade	7.2	12.6	*	*
Other industries (c)	13.0	22.9	13.1	27.5
Major occupation group -				
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	3.9	6.9	5.5	11.5
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	12.8	22.6	7.8	16.3
Other occupations (d)	11.2	19.8	9.8	20.5
Looking for first job	8.8	15.6	5.1	10.7
Had not worked full-time for 2 weeks or more in the last 2 years but had at some time in the past	19.7	34.8	18.7	39.1
Stood down (e)	*	*	*	*
Total, unemployed - males	35.8	63.1	28.9	60.5
- females	20.9	36.9	18.9	39.5
- persons	56.7	100.0	47.8	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) See footnote (b), Table 32. (c) Comprises Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Construction, Transport and Storage, Communication, Finance, Property and Business Services, Public Administration and Defence, Community Services, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services. (d) Comprises Professional, Technical, etc., Sales, Farmers, Fishermen, Timber-getters, Miners, etc., Transport and Communication, and Service, Sport and Recreation. (e) See Explanatory Note 8 (c) ii.

TABLE 34. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, WESTERN SYDNEY
AND SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)	
	Persons		Persons	
	Number ('000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number ('000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -				
Married	23.0	42.9	18.7	41.5
Not married	30.6	57.1	26.4	58.5
Age (years) -				
15-24	24.8	46.3	20.5	45.4
25-34	11.5	21.4	10.1	22.4
35-44	9.8	18.3	7.6	16.9
45 and over	7.5	13.9	6.9	15.3
Birthplace -				
Australia	32.5	60.7	30.0	66.6
Main English speaking countries (b)	4.3	8.0	3.3	7.3
Other countries	16.7	31.3	11.8	26.1
Full-time and part-time status -				
Looking for full-time work	47.2	88.1	36.9	81.9
Looking for part-time work	6.4	11.9	8.2	18.1
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -				
Under 13	14.1	26.4	12.9	28.6
13 and under 39	16.0	29.9	15.0	33.3
39 and under 104	13.7	25.5	7.8	17.2
104 and over	9.8	18.2	9.4	20.8
Had worked for 2 weeks or more in a full-time job in the last 2 years	28.8	53.9	22.5	49.9
Industry division -				
Manufacturing	6.7	12.4	6.4	14.2
Wholesale and retail trade	6.9	12.9	3.8	8.5
Other industries (c)	15.3	28.5	12.3	27.2
Major occupation group -				
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	4.2	7.8	4.2	9.3
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	14.5	27.1	11.7	25.9
Other occupations (d)	10.1	18.9	6.7	14.7
Looking for first job	8.4	15.7	6.2	13.8
Had not worked full-time for 2 weeks or more in the last 2 years but had at some time in the past	15.8	29.6	15.7	34.9
Stood down (e)	*	*	*	*
Total, unemployed - males	31.9	59.6	27.2	60.3
- females	21.6	40.4	17.9	39.7
- persons	53.5	100.0	45.1	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) See footnote (b), Table 32. (c) Comprises Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Construction, Transport and Storage, Communication, Finance, Property and Business Services, Public Administration and Defence, Community Services, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services. (d) Comprises Professional, Technical, etc., Sales, Farmers, Fishermen, Timber-getters, Miners, etc., Transport and Communication, and Service, Sport and Recreation. (e) See Explanatory Note 8 (c) ii.

TABLE 35. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, NORTHERN SYDNEY
AND GOSFORD-WYONG SUBDIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)	
	Persons		Persons	
	Number ('000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number ('000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -				
Married	8.7	37.0	9.6	38.0
Not married	14.8	63.0	15.7	62.0
Age (years) -				
15-24	10.9	46.4	10.7	42.3
25-34	5.9	25.0	6.1	23.9
35-44	*	*	4.0	15.7
45 and over	4.2	18.2	4.6	18.1
Birthplace -				
Australia	18.5	79.0	19.6	77.2
Main English speaking countries (b)	*	*	*	*
Other countries	*	*	*	*
Full-time and part-time status -				
Looking for full-time work	18.8	80.4	19.3	76.3
Looking for part-time work	4.6	19.6	6.0	23.7
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -				
Under 13	7.2	30.9	12.2	48.0
13 and under 39	6.8	29.1	7.7	30.5
39 and under 104	4.9	21.1	*	*
104 and over	4.4	18.9	*	*
Had worked for 2 weeks or more in a full-time job in the last 2 years	12.9	54.9	14.3	56.4
Industry division -				
Manufacturing	*	*	*	*
Wholesale and retail trade	4.5	19.0	4.9	19.5
Other industries (c)	6.5	27.9	7.4	29.4
Major occupation group -				
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	*	*	4.8	19.1
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	4.5	19.3	4.7	18.7
Other occupations (d)	5.4	23.1	4.7	18.6
Looking for first job	*	*	*	*
Had not worked full-time for 2 weeks or more in the last 2 years but had at some time in the past	7.4	31.5	7.6	29.9
Stood down (e)	*	*	*	*
Total, unemployed - males	14.6	62.4	14.1	55.8
- females	8.8	37.6	11.2	44.2
- persons	23.4	100.0	25.3	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) See footnote (b), Table 32. (c) Comprises Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Construction, Transport and Storage, Communication, Finance, Property and Business Services, Public Administration and Defence, Community Services, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services. (d) Comprises Professional, Technical, etc., Sales, Farmers, Fishermen, Timber-getters, Miners, etc., Transport and Communication, and Service, Sport and Recreation. (e) See Explanatory Note 8 (c) ii.

TABLE 36. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, HUNTER, ILLAWARRA, RICHMOND-TWEED, MID-NORTH COAST AND SOUTH-EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)	
	Persons		Persons	
	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number (¹ 000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -				
Married	23.2	34.9	26.0	40.0
Not married	43.2	65.1	38.9	60.0
Age (years) -				
15-24	30.6	46.1	30.2	46.6
25-34	19.9	29.9	15.1	23.3
35-44	7.5	11.3	9.6	14.9
45 and over	8.5	12.8	9.9	15.3
Birthplace -				
Australia	55.2	83.2	50.6	78.0
Main English speaking countries (b)	6.4	9.6	8.0	12.3
Other countries	4.8	7.3	6.3	9.7
Full-time and part-time status -				
Looking for full-time work	60.5	91.0	57.8	89.0
Looking for part-time work	5.9	9.0	7.1	11.0
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -				
Under 13	12.8	19.3	19.8	30.5
13 and under 39	21.1	31.8	18.0	27.7
39 and under 104	13.0	19.6	12.6	19.4
104 and over	19.5	29.4	14.6	22.5
Had worked for 2 weeks or more in a full-time job in the last 2 years	30.7	46.2	29.4	45.3
Industry division -				
Manufacturing	6.6	10.0	6.6	10.1
Wholesale and retail trade	6.0	9.1	4.5	7.0
Other industries (c)	18.0	27.1	18.3	28.1
Major occupation group -				
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	4.0	6.0	4.3	6.7
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	14.4	21.7	15.0	23.0
Other occupations (d)	12.3	18.5	10.1	15.5
Looking for first job	10.8	16.3	9.2	14.2
Had not worked full-time for 2 weeks or more in the last 2 years but had at some time in the past	24.7	37.2	25.1	38.7
Stood down (e)	*	*	*	*
Total, unemployed - males	42.5	64.0	38.6	59.5
- females	23.9	36.0	26.2	40.5
- persons	66.4	100.0	64.9	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) See footnote (b), Table 32. (c) Comprises Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Construction, Transport and Storage, Communication, Finance, Property and Business Services, Public Administration and Defence, Community Services, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services. (d) Comprises Professional, Technical, etc., Sales, Farmers, Fishermen, Timber-getters, Miners, etc., Transport and Communication, and Service, Sport and Recreation. (e) See Explanatory Note 8 (c) ii.

TABLE 37. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, NORTHERN, NORTH-WESTERN,
CENTRAL WEST, MURRAY AND MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Characteristics	May 1985		May 1986 (a)	
	Persons		Persons	
	Number (1'000)	Proportion (per cent)	Number (1'000)	Proportion (per cent)
Marital status -				
Married	9.5	38.0	12.8	43.2
Not married	15.5	62.0	16.9	56.8
Age (years) -				
15-24	14.1	56.2	13.7	46.1
25-34	5.4	21.5	7.6	25.5
35-44	*	*	4.6	15.5
45 and over	*	*	*	*
Birthplace -				
Australia	24.0	95.7	28.4	95.8
Main English speaking countries (b)	*	*	*	*
Other countries	*	*	*	*
Full-time and part-time status -				
Looking for full-time work	21.8	87.1	25.6	86.3
Looking for part-time work	*	*	*	*
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -				
Under 13	8.5	33.9	13.1	44.0
13 and under 39	7.5	30.0	6.8	22.8
39 and under 104	*	*	5.1	17.0
104 and over	4.8	19.1	4.8	16.2
Had worked for 2 weeks or more in a full-time job in the last 2 years	13.6	54.4	17.7	59.5
Industry division -				
Manufacturing	*	*	4.9	16.3
Wholesale and retail trade	*	*	*	*
Other Industries (c)	8.6	34.3	9.3	31.5
Major occupation group -				
Administrative, executive, managerial and clerical	*	*	*	*
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c.	6.0	24.1	8.5	28.5
Other occupations (d)	6.6	26.4	7.8	26.4
Looking for first job	4.4	17.4	*	*
Had not worked full-time for 2 weeks or more in the last 2 years but had at some time in the past	6.4	25.6	8.8	29.6
Stood down (e)	*	*	*	*
Total, unemployed - males	16.0	63.8	18.2	61.5
- females	9.1	36.2	11.4	38.5
- persons	25.1	100.0	29.7	100.0

(a) Estimates are based on the revised definition of employed persons. See Explanatory Note 6.

(b) See footnote (b), Table 32. (c) Comprises Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water, Construction, Transport and Storage, Communication, Finance, Property and Business Services, Public Administration and Defence, Community Services, and Recreation, Personal and Other Services. (d) Comprises Professional, Technical, etc., Sales, Farmers, Fishermen, Timber-getters, Miners, etc., Transport and Communication, and Service, Sport and Recreation. (e) See Explanatory Note 8 (c) ii.

TECHNICAL NOTE

Estimation procedure

1. The labour force estimates are derived from the monthly population survey by use of a complex ratio estimation procedure. This procedure ensures that the survey estimates conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population by age and sex, rather than to the age and sex distribution within the sample itself.

Reliability of the estimates

2. Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. The sampling error is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, the estimates and the movements derived from them are subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. The standard error can also be expressed as a percentage of the estimate, and this is known as the relative standard error.

3. Space does not allow for the separate indication of the standard errors of all estimates in this publication. Standard errors of estimates derived from the survey and of monthly, quarterly and annual movements (except those movements spanning September/October 1982), for New South Wales and for each region of New South Wales, can be determined by reference to the table commencing on page 68. Details of the standard errors of monthly, quarterly and annual movements spanning September/October 1982 were published in the November 1983 issue of this publication.

4. The size of the standard error increases with the level of the estimate, so that the larger the estimate the larger the standard error. However, it should be noted that the larger the sample

estimate, the smaller will be the standard error in percentage terms. Thus, larger sample estimates will be relatively more reliable than smaller estimates.

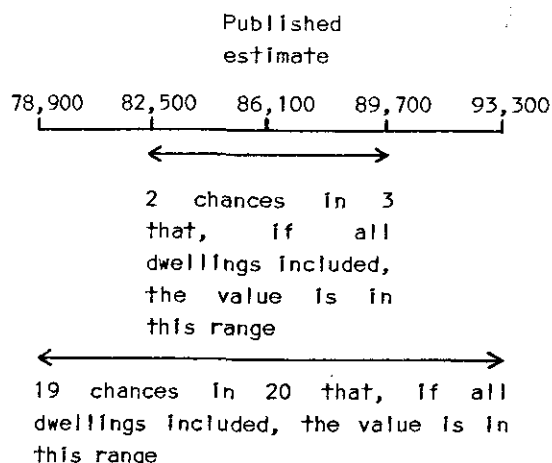
5. As the standard errors in the following table show, the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error. Very small estimates are subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most practical purposes. In the tables in this publication, estimates with a relative standard error of greater than 25 per cent and percentages based on such estimates have not been included and have been replaced with an asterisk (*). Although figures for these small components can in some cases be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable.

6. The movement in the level of an estimate is also subject to sampling variability. The standard error of the movement depends on the levels of the estimates from which the movement is obtained rather than the size of the movement. An indication of the magnitude of standard errors of monthly movements is also given in the following table. The estimates of standard errors of monthly movements apply only to estimates of movements between two consecutive months. Movements between corresponding months of consecutive quarters (quarterly movements), corresponding months of consecutive years (annual movements) and other non-consecutive months will generally be subject to somewhat greater sampling variability than is indicated. Standard errors of quarterly movements can be obtained by multiplying the figures shown in column 1 of the following table by 1.11. Standard errors of quarterly movements calculated this way will not necessarily agree with those obtained by multiplying the figures in column 3 by 1.5, which was the method shown in previous issues of this publication. Standard errors of all annual movements can be obtained by multiplying the figures shown in column 1 of the table by 1.3. When using the table to calculate standard errors of movements, refer to the larger of the two estimates from which the movement is derived.

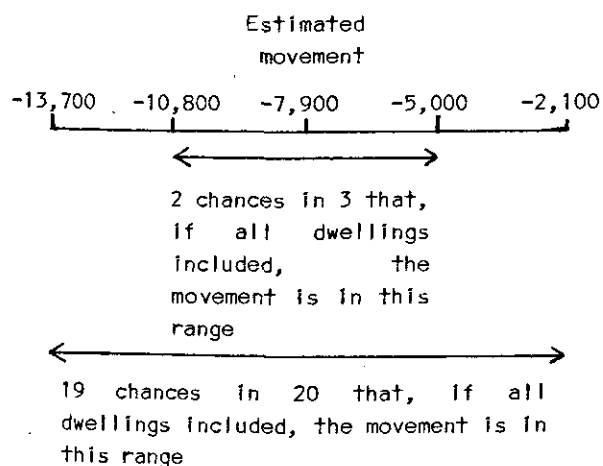
7. Examples of the calculation and use of standard errors are given below:

(a) From column 1 of the following table, it can be seen that the estimate of 86,100 unemployed females in New South Wales in May

1986 (see Table 1) has a standard error of approximately 3,600 (by interpolation). There are about two chances in three that the true figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey would have been within the range 82,500 to 89,700 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range 78,900 to 93,300.



- (b) The estimate of movement in the number of unemployed females in New South Wales from April to May 1986 is a decrease of 7,900 (see Table 1). Column 3 in the following table can be used to determine the standard error of the monthly movement for the larger of the two estimates from which the movement is derived. In this case, the April 1986 estimate (94,000) is the larger. From column 3 for New South Wales, it can be seen that the standard error of the monthly movement is approximately 2,900 (by interpolation). There are about two chances in three that if all dwellings had been included in the surveys the movement would have been in the range -5,000 to -10,800 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been in the range -2,100 to -13,700.



8. The standard errors of estimates relating to agricultural employment are generally somewhat higher than the standard errors of other estimates of the same magnitude.

9. The relative standard errors of estimates of average duration of unemployment are obtained by first finding the relative standard error of the estimate of the total number of persons contributing to the estimate (see column 2 in the following table) and then multiplying the figure so obtained by 1.3.

10. The reliability of an estimated percentage or rate, computed by using sample data for both numerator and denominator, depends upon both the size of the numerator and the size of the denominator. The formula for the relative standard error (RSE) of a percentage or rate is given below:

$$RSE(x/y) = \sqrt{[RSE(x)]^2 + [RSE(y)]^2}.$$

11. Standard errors contained in the following table are designed to provide an average standard error applicable for all monthly labour force survey estimates. Recent analysis of the standard errors for New South Wales applicable to particular survey estimates has shown that the standard errors for estimates of employment are generally equivalent to those shown in the following table, but standard errors for estimates of unemployment and for persons not in the labour force are approximately 6 per cent and 10 per cent (respectively) higher than those shown in the table.

12. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling errors. They may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce non-sampling errors to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers, and efficient operating procedures.

STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES AND MONTHLY MOVEMENTS (a), REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Size of estimate (number)	New South Wales; Sydney Statistical Division; and Balance of New South Wales			Central Sydney and Inner Western Sydney Subdivisions			Southern Sydney Subdivision		
	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)
3,500	890	25.5	820				870	25	700
4,000	950	23.8	870	1,000	25.1	770	930	23	730
4,500	1,000	22	910	1,100	23.7	800	980	22	770
5,000	1,100	21	950	1,100	22	840	1,000	21	800
6,000	1,100	19	1,000	1,200	21	900	1,100	19	860
8,000	1,300	16	1,100	1,400	18	1,000	1,300	16	960
10,000	1,500	15	1,200	1,600	16	1,100	1,500	15	1,100
20,000	2,000	10	1,600	2,300	11	1,500	2,100	10	1,400
50,000	2,900	5.8	2,300	3,600	7.2	2,100	3,300	6.6	2,000
100,000	3,900	3.9	3,000	5,100	5.1	2,700	4,700	4.7	2,600
200,000	5,100	2.5	4,000	7,200	3.6	3,600	6,700	3.3	3,500
300,000	5,900	2.0	4,600	8,800	2.9	4,200	8,200	2.7	4,100
500,000	7,200	1.4	5,700	11,000	2.3	5,200	11,000	2.1	5,000
1,000,000	9,200	0.92	7,400						
2,000,000	12,000	0.58	9,700						
5,000,000	16,000	0.31	14,000						

Size of estimate (number)	South Western Sydney Subdivision			Western Sydney Subdivision			Northern Sydney Subdivision		
	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)
2,500				670	26.8	600			
3,000	760	25.5	470	730	24.5	650	750	25	680
3,500	830	23.6	500	790	23	690	810	23	720
4,000	880	22	530	850	21	720	860	22	760
4,500	940	21	560	900	20	760	910	20	800
5,000	990	20	580	950	19	790	960	19	830
6,000	1,100	18	620	1,000	17	850	1,100	18	900
8,000	1,300	16	700	1,200	15	950	1,200	15	1,000
10,000	1,400	14	760	1,300	13	1,000	1,400	14	1,100
20,000	2,000	10	1,000	1,900	9.6	1,400	1,900	9.7	1,400
50,000	3,200	6.3	1,400	3,000	6.1	2,000	3,100	6.2	2,100
100,000	4,500	4.5	1,900	4,300	4.3	2,600	4,400	4.4	2,700
200,000	6,300	3.2	2,500	6,100	3.0	3,400	6,200	3.1	3,600
300,000				7,500	2.5	4,000	7,600	2.5	4,200
500,000				9,700	1.9	4,900	9,800	2.0	5,200

(a) See Technical Note 6 for details on calculating standard errors for quarterly and annual movements.

STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES AND MONTHLY MOVEMENTS (a), REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES (continued)

Size of estimate (number)	Newcastle Statistical District			Hunter Statistical Division			Wollongong Statistical District		
	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)
2,000							540	27.0	400
2,500							610	24.2	440
3,000							660	22	470
3,500	880	25.2	680	900	25.8	720	720	20	500
4,000	940	23.6	720	970	24.2	750	770	19	530
4,500	1,000	22	750	1,000	23	790	810	18	560
5,000	1,100	21	790	1,100	22	820	860	17	580
6,000	1,200	19	850	1,200	20	890	940	16	620
8,000	1,300	17	950	1,400	17	990	1,100	14	700
10,000	1,500	15	1,000	1,500	15	1,100	1,200	12	760
20,000	2,100	11	1,400	2,200	11	1,400	1,700	8.6	1,000
50,000	3,400	6.7	2,000	3,500	6.9	2,100	2,700	5.5	1,400
100,000	4,800	4.8	2,600	4,900	4.9	2,700	3,900	3.9	1,900
200,000	6,800	3.4	3,400	6,900	3.5	3,600	5,500	2.8	2,500
300,000	8,300	2.8	4,000	8,500	2.8	4,200			

Size of estimate (number)	Illawarra and South-Eastern Statistical Divisions			Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast Statistical Divisions			Northern, North-Western and Central West Statistical Divisions		
	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)
3,000	740	25	640						
3,500	800	23	680						
4,000	860	22	710	1,000	25.2	750	1,000	25.3	790
4,500	910	20	750	1,100	23.8	790	1,100	23.9	820
5,000	960	19	780	1,100	23	820	1,100	23	860
6,000	1,100	18	840	1,200	21	880	1,200	21	920
8,000	1,200	15	940	1,400	18	990	1,400	18	1,000
10,000	1,400	14	1,000	1,600	16	1,100	1,600	16	1,100
20,000	1,900	9.7	1,400	2,300	11	1,400	2,300	11	1,500
50,000	3,100	6.1	1,900	3,600	7.2	2,000	3,600	7.2	2,100
100,000	4,400	4.4	2,600	5,100	5.1	2,700	5,100	5.1	2,800
200,000	6,200	3.1	3,400	7,200	3.6	3,500	7,300	3.6	3,700
300,000	7,600	2.5	4,000				8,900	3.0	4,400

(a) See Technical Note 6 for details on calculating standard errors for quarterly and annual movements.

STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES AND MONTHLY MOVEMENTS (a), REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES (continued)

Size of estimate (number)	Murray and Murrumbidgee Statistical Divisions			Central Sydney, Inner Western Sydney and Southern Sydney Subdivisions			Western Sydney and South Western Sydney Subdivisions		
	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)
3,000							780	25.9	700
3,500				920	26.3	810	840	24.0	740
4,000				980	24.6	850	900	22	780
4,500	1,100	25	780	1,000	23	890	950	21	810
5,000	1,200	24	820	1,100	22	920	1,000	20	840
6,000	1,300	22	880	1,200	20	990	1,100	18	900
8,000	1,500	19	980	1,400	17	1,100	1,300	16	1,000
10,000	1,700	17	1,100	1,500	15	1,200	1,400	14	1,100
20,000	2,400	12	1,400	2,200	11	1,500	2,000	9.8	1,400
50,000	3,800	7.5	2,000	3,300	6.7	2,200	3,000	6.1	2,000
100,000	5,300	5.3	2,700	4,600	4.6	2,800	4,200	4.2	2,500
200,000	7,600	3.8	3,500	6,300	3.2	3,600	5,800	2.9	3,300
300,000				7,600	2.5	4,200	6,900	2.3	3,800
500,000				9,600	1.9	5,000	8,700	1.7	4,600
1,000,000				13,000	1.3	6,500	12,000	1.2	5,900

Size of estimate (number)	Northern Sydney and Gosford-Wyong Subdivisions			Hunter, Illawarra, Richmond-Tweed, Mid-North Coast and South-Eastern Statistical Divisions			Northern, North-Western, Central West, Murray and Murrumbidgee Statistical Divisions		
	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)	Standard error of estimate (number)	Relative standard error (per cent)	Standard error of monthly movement (number)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(3)
3,000				780	25.9	730			
3,500	900	25.6	760	840	24.0	770			
4,000	960	24.0	800	900	22	820	1,000	26.1	870
4,500	1,000	23	840	950	21	850	1,100	24.6	900
5,000	1,100	21	870	1,000	20	890	1,200	23	940
6,000	1,200	20	930	1,100	18	950	1,300	21	1,000
8,000	1,300	17	1,000	1,300	16	1,100	1,500	18	1,100
10,000	1,500	15	1,100	1,400	14	1,100	1,600	16	1,200
20,000	2,100	11	1,500	2,000	9.8	1,500	2,300	11	1,600
50,000	3,300	6.5	2,000	3,000	6.1	2,100	3,500	7.1	2,200
100,000	4,500	4.5	2,600	4,200	4.2	2,700	4,900	4.9	2,800
200,000	6,200	3.1	3,400	5,800	2.9	3,400	6,700	3.4	3,700
300,000	7,400	2.5	3,900	6,900	2.3	4,000	8,100	2.7	4,300
500,000	9,300	1.9	4,700	8,700	1.7	4,800	10,000	2.0	5,100
1,000,000				12,000	1.2	6,200			

(a) See Technical Note 6 for details on calculating standard errors for quarterly and annual movements.

APPENDIX. REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND THEIR CONSTITUENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS, JUNE 1985

SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION

CENTRAL SYDNEY AND INNER WESTERN
SYDNEY SUBDIVISIONS

Central Sydney Subdivision

Leichhardt M.
Marrickville M.
Randwick M.
Sydney M. (City)
Waverley M.
Woollahra M.

Inner Western Sydney Subdivision

Ashfield M.
Burwood M.
Concord M.
Drummoyne M.
Strathfield M.

SOUTHERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

Bankstown M. (City)
Botany M.
Canterbury M.
Hurstville M.
Kogarah M.
Rockdale M.
Sutherland S.

SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

Camden M.
Campbelltown M. (City)
Liverpool M. (City)
Wollondilly S.

WESTERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

Auburn M.
Baulkham Hills S.
Blacktown M. (City)
Blue Mountains M. (City)
Fairfield M. (City)
Hawkesbury S.
Holroyd M.
Parramatta M. (City)
Penrith M. (City)

NORTHERN SYDNEY SUBDIVISION

Hornsby S.
Hunter's Hill M.
Ku-ring-gai M.
Lane Cove M.
Manly M.
Mosman M.
North Sydney M.
Ryde M.
Warringah S.
Willoughby M.

Note: Sydney Statistical Division includes
Gosford-Wyong Subdivision which comprises
Gosford M. (City) and Wyong S.

BALANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES

HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION

Newcastle Statistical District

Cessnock M. (City) (part)
Lake Macquarie M. (City)
Maitland M. (City)
Newcastle M. (City)
Port Stephens S.

Balance of Hunter Statistical Division

Cessnock M. (City) (part)
Dungog S.
Gloucester S.
Great Lakes S.
Merriwa S.
Murrurundi S.
Muswellbrook S.
Scone S.
Singleton S.

ILLAWARRA AND SOUTH-EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Illawarra Statistical Division

Wollongong Statistical District

Kiama M.
Shellharbour M.
Wollongong M. (City)

Balance of Illawarra Statistical Division

Shoalhaven M. (City)
Wingecarribee S.

South-Eastern Statistical Division

Canberra Statistical District (part in N.S.W.)
Queanbeyan M. (City)

Balance of Southern Tablelands Subdivision

Boorowa S.
Crookwell S.
Goulburn M. (City)
Gunning S.
Harden S.
Mulwaree S.
Tallaganda S.
Yarrowlumla S.
Yass S.
Young S.

Lower South Coast Subdivision

Bega Valley S.
Eurobodalla S.

Snowy Subdivision

Bombala S.
Cooma-Monaro S.
Snowy River S.

APPENDIX. REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND THEIR CONSTITUENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS,
JUNE 1985 (continued)

RICHMOND-TWEED AND MID-NORTH COAST STATISTICAL
DIVISIONS

Richmond-Tweed Statistical Division

Gold Coast Statistical District (part in N.S.W.)
Tweed S. (part)

Balance of Richmond-Tweed Statistical Division

Ballina S.
Byron S.
Casino M.
Kyogle S.
Lismore M. (City)
Richmond River S.
Tweed S. (part)

Mid-North Coast Statistical Division

Clarence Subdivision

Bellingen S.
Coff's Harbour S.
Copmanhurst S.
Grafton M. (City)
Macleay S.
Nambucca S.
Nymboida S.
Ullmarra S.

Hastings Subdivision (includes Lord Howe Island)

Hastings M.
Kempsey S.
Taree, Greater M. (City)

NORTHERN, NORTH-WESTERN AND CENTRAL WEST
STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Northern Statistical Division

Tamworth Statistical District
Tamworth M. (City)

Balance of Northern Slopes Subdivision

Barraba S.
Bingara S.
Gunnedah S.
Inverell S. (part)
Manilla S.
Nundle S.
Parry S.
Quirindi S.
Yallaro S.

Northern Tablelands Subdivision

Armidale M. (City)
Dumaresq S.
Glen Innes M.
Guyra S.
Inverell S. (part)
Severn S.
Tenterfield S.
Uralla S.
Walcha S.

NORTHERN, NORTH-WESTERN AND CENTRAL WEST
STATISTICAL DIVISIONS (continued)

Northern Statistical Division (continued)

North Central Plain Subdivision
Moree Plains S.
Narrabri S.

North-Western Statistical Division

Central Macquarie Subdivision
Coolah S.
Coonabarabran S.
Dubbo M. (City)
Gilgandra S.
Mudgee S.
Narromine S.
Wellington S.

Macquarie-Barwon Subdivision

Bogan S.
Coonamble S.
Walgett S.
Warren S.

Upper Darling Subdivision

Bourke S.
Brewarrina S.
Cobar S.

Central West Statistical Division

Bathurst-Orange Statistical District

Bathurst M. (City)
Blayney S. (part)
Cabonne S. (part)
Evans S. (part)
Orange M. (City)

Balance of Central Tablelands
Subdivision

Blayney S. (part)
Cabonne S. (part)
Evans S. (part)
Lithgow, Greater M. (City)
Oberon S.
Rylstone S.

Lachlan Subdivision

Bland S.
Cabonne S. (part)
Cowra S.
Forbes S.
Lachlan S.
Parkes S.
Weddin S.

APPENDIX. REGIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND THEIR CONSTITUENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS,
JUNE 1985 (continued)

MURRAY AND MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

Murray Statistical Division

Albury-Wodonga Statistical District (part in
N.S.W.)

Albury M. (City)

Hume S.

Balance of Upper Murray Subdivision

Corowa S.

Culcairn S.

Holbrook S.

Tumbarumba S.

Urana S.

Central Murray Subdivision

Berrigan S.

Conargo S.

Deniliquin M.

Jerilderie S.

Murray S.

Wakool S.

Windouran S.

Murray-Darling Subdivision

Balranald S.

Wentworth S.

MURRAY AND MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISIONS

(continued)

Murrumbidgee Statistical Division

Wagga Wagga Statistical District

Wagga Wagga M. (City)

Balance of Central Murrumbidgee Subdivision

Coolamon S.

Cootamundra S.

Gundagai S.

Junee S.

Lockhart S.

Narrandera S.

Temora S.

Tumut S.

Lower Murrumbidgee Subdivision

Carrathool S.

Griffith S.

Hay S.

Leeton S.

Murrumbidgee S.

Note: Balance of New South Wales includes Far West Statistical Division which comprises Broken Hill M. (City), Central Darling S. and the unincorporated area of New South Wales.

Queensland

South Australia

TASMAN SEA

Victoria

12. FAR WEST

7. NORTH WESTERN

6. NORTHERN

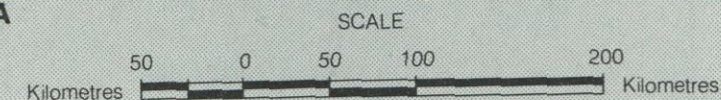
4. RICHMOND-TWEED

5. MID-NORTH COAST

2. HUNTER

1. SYDNEY

STATISTICAL DIVISIONS AND STATISTICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES



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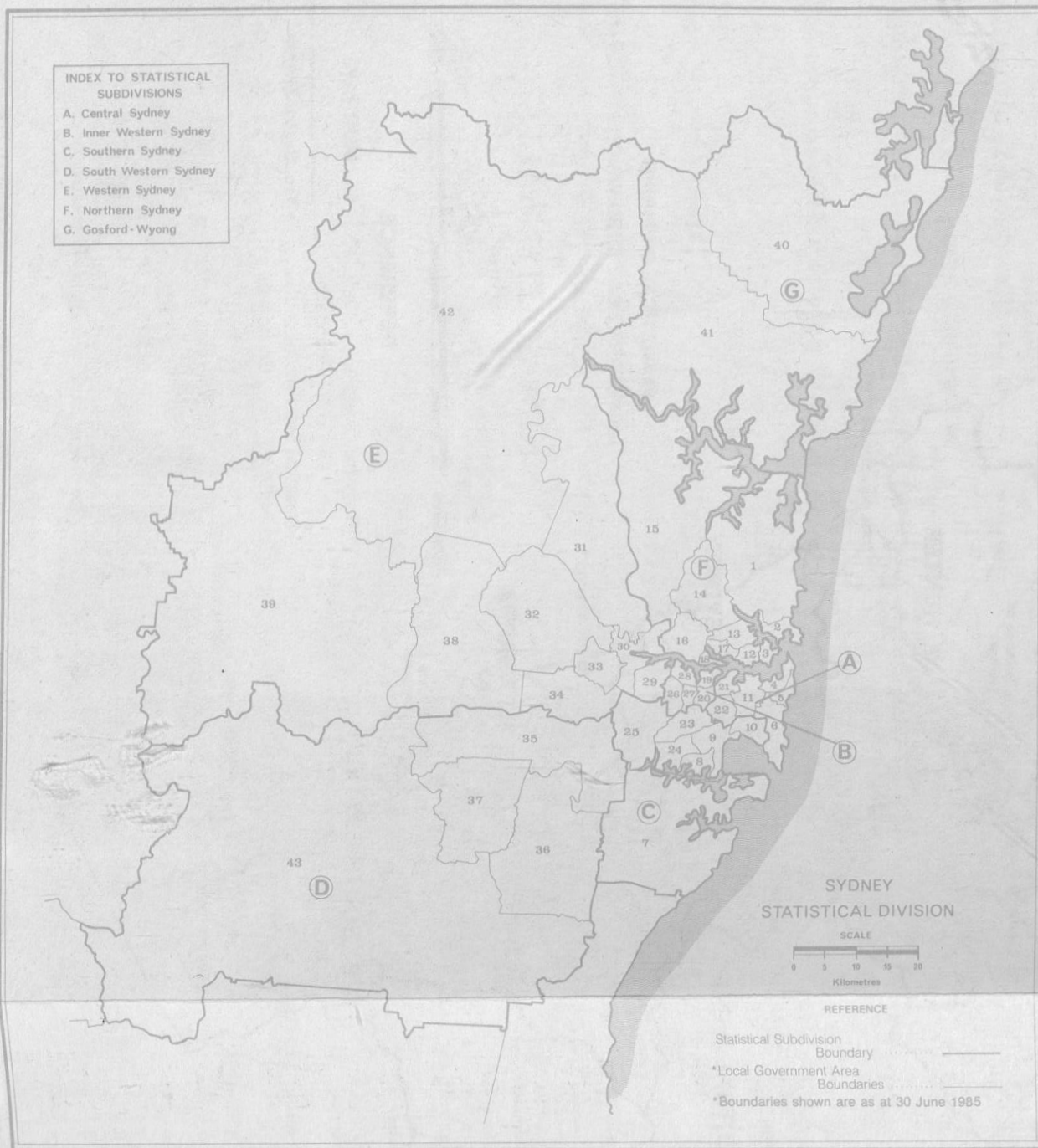
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